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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### Germany's Treaties

WHETHER the West German Government will eventually ratify the "Contractual Agreement" between Federal Germany and the Western Powers and the Paris Treaty setting up the European Defence Community has now become a matter of some doubt. Dr Adenauer, the Federal Chancellor, is confronted with the problem of avoiding a constitutional crisis and at the same time securing approval of the Bonn Government to the proposal that a simple majority suffice to obtain ratification. Dr Adenauer has already suffered one rebuff: his proposal to the Diet that three days should be set aside for the second and third readings of the ratifying Bills was recently rejected. True, the adverse majority was small and could be accounted for arithmetically by the fact that ten members of the Free Democratic Party voted with the Opposition. The explanation given by the backsliders was that they were not against ratifying the treaties, but that purely on the timetable they considered the date proposed to be too early. This kind of excuse makes comment difficult. For it cannot be queried with impunity the veracity of those who put it forward. It cannot be accepted without taking a low view of their political commonsense. Nobody but a child, it might be thought, would on minor grounds imperil the ratification of the agreements, if on major ones he really wanted them to be ratified. But it has to be allowed for that in democratic politics many Germans are still children. The Free Democratic Party has more than once displayed a tendency to be Mr Facing-both-ways, and in that is only too representative of large sections of the German people in the middle and governing classes.

It was the same two-facedness—the drift of millions to profess democracy and peace at one moment and to work for autocracy and war at the next—which caused the downfall of the Weimar Republic. Obviously there is danger that the Federal Republic might succumb to similar influences. It is to counter them that Dr Adenauer would have his democracy nail its colours to the mast by ratifying forthwith the two pacts which would integrate the country's policy with that of Western Europe. Such an action, taken boldly and without waiting to see whether or not the French Assembly ratified, would have a clarifying and stabilising effect both within Germany and outside. The Germans would know where they were going, and they would establish by action, what they can never now establish merely by words, a claim to the confidence of the other democracies. Of the four Powers who have signed the Contractual Agreement, both Great Britain and the United States ratified in the summer. It was reasonable that Germany and France should defer until the autumn, because neither Government had a strong or very stable majority, and time has been needed to educate public opinion. Now that autumn has passed into winter, further delays can hardly be defended.

## 40,000 Mourners Shout Down Moroccan Anthem PREVENT READING OF SULTAN'S ADDRESS

Casablanca, Dec. 10. A crowd of 40,000 Frenchmen cried "shame" on the Moroccan national anthem and prevented a public reading of an address in which the Sultan disavowed the Nationalist riots today. A huge crowd gathered outside the Sacre Coeur Cathedral to pay tribute at a 50-minute ceremony for eight Europeans cut to pieces and burned in the two-day riots which cost 58 lives and injured at least 200 persons. The mourners were silent as the Marseillaise was played, but shouted when the military band started playing the Moroccan national anthem and yelled: "Shame on it."

As a result, officials hurriedly cancelled a reading of the Sultan's speech by an official of the sovereign's court. The Sultan's statement, previously issued to the press, said he was deeply affected by the events which had plunged the city of Casablanca into bloodshed. "We disavow any act of violence. We pay tribute to both French and Moroccan victims," it read. "We pray that God extend to us a reign of calm and peace, so that friendly, peaceful co-operation may exist between French and Moroccans."

At the principal event, the Cathedral ceremony, the Resident General, General Augustin Guillaume, paid tribute to three Frenchmen and a 46-year-old Spaniard, whose bodies were identified after the mob slayings. The other European victims were stabbed and burned until they could not be recognized. "There are no words to describe the acts of these assassins and it is the duty of justice to find those murderers guilty of the crimes," said General Guillaume. "It will be calm but firm. Irresponsible violence has been opposed and will continue to be opposed each time circumstances call for the use of force."

Those responsible, those whose cause had need of bloodshed, have been helped by great encouragement from outside by our enemies and also sometimes, alas, by our friends. The crowd broke into loud applause at what was taken to be a slap at the United States' attitude toward France's differences in Morocco. — United Press.

**LEADERS ARRESTED**  
Casablanca, Dec. 10. French arrests in Morocco were today reported to have reached over 1,000 as French tanks and troops remained on the alert for further disturbances. Included in the latest French round-up were all the leaders of the Moroccan Nationalist Party, Istiglal, now in Morocco and several other rank-and-file members of the party. Also known to be under detention are six trade union officials and some 70 Moroccan arrested yesterday after an Istiglal meeting in the Beni Mellal area. Casablanca, shuttered and silent today, was thronged and surrounded by an estimated 10,000 troops, including an entire regiment of the French Foreign Legion fresh from the Algerian border. No further incidents have been reported in the territory since last night, when two Moroccans and a Moroccan policeman were killed during a disturbance at Beni Mellal. The Sultan of Morocco returned from Casablanca to his palace in Rabat and issued a statement deploring the acts of violence, which have cost over 50 lives in Casablanca.

**CURFEW REIMPOSED**  
Meanwhile, the French authorities in Sousse, Tunisia, tonight reimposed a curfew there following sabotage attempts on the Tunis-Sousse railway line. The curfew will last from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. Last night a bomb blew up part of the railway line, interrupting traffic for 12 hours. French Post Office officials in Paris reported tonight that all telephone communications with Morocco were cut indefinitely. No explanations were given. In Tunis, the Bey who has been kept in bed by a bad cold, received the Resident General, Count Jean de Hautecloque, for 25 minutes to discuss the events arising out of the murder of the Tunisian labour leader, Ferhat Hached, on Friday. Informed political sources said in Paris that the French Cabinet today discussed the possibility of deposing the Bey of Tunis for his "unco-operative attitude" towards France. But no decision was taken as most Ministers considered such a measure would be inappropriate at the present time.

**REPORT DENIED**  
French press reports that M. de Hautecloque had asked the Bey to remove his eldest son, Prince Chedly, from Tunisia, were officially denied by the Residency. Prince Chedly is regarded as the most outspoken Nationalist in the Bey's family. He sent a note to the Residency last night denying that he had ever told foreign journalists that Frenchmen were responsible for Hached's murder. Two new incidents occurred in Tunisia last night—the first curfew-free night since Hached's body was discovered. A Tunisian passenger was killed and several others wounded when the Tunis-Sousse train was machine-gunned between Kalar Kebira and Kalar Saïre. In Tunis itself, a bomb exploded in front of a closed cafe in the city centre, causing damage, but no casualties.

**NEW PENALTIES FOR OFFENCES**  
Nairobi, Dec. 10. Sir Evelyn Baring, Governor of Kenya, today imposed new penalties of six months' gaol and a fine of £100 for failure to keep firearms in safe custody. The same punishments apply for failure to report the theft, loss or destruction of firearms or ammunition. — Reuters.

**Return Plane Or Pay \$100,000 Demand By United States To Russia**  
Washington, Dec. 10. The United States today formally demanded that Russia return an Air Force plane forced down in Hungary a year ago or pay the United States Government \$100,000. In still notes delivered to Moscow and Communist Hungary, the United States also demanded the "prompt return" of the plane's cargo and documents carried by the four airmen seized with it. The twin notes, made public by the State Department, represented the United States' first formal indictment of an incident which strained Hungarian-American relations, reaching a breaking point in the autumn of 1951. The United States had to pay \$125,000 to ransom the four flyers, who had been given a drumhead trial and executed. Besides demanding the return of the plane and cargo, the notes challenged Russia's right to force down a plane and seize the crew. — United Press.

### Army Cooks Prepare For Xmas



Army cooks throughout the Colony are now busily preparing Christmas fare. This picture taken this morning at the Gun Club Hill cookhouse, shows Lt. Col. E. S. Turner, RA, stirring a Christmas pudding, watched by RSM N. E. Winslow on his right, and Cpl. Boyce, Pte Cameron and Pte Higgins on his left. — Staff Photographer.

### Broad Hint To MacArthur Truman's Comment On Korea Plan

Aboard Truman Special, Dec. 10. President Truman today called upon General Douglas MacArthur to advise him "at once" of any "reasonable" plan the general had for ending the Korean war. The President, in a prepared statement read to reporters aboard his special train, did not mention General MacArthur by name. But, his acting Press Secretary, Mr. Roger Tubby, said there was "no question" that he was referring to the general. The President was en route back to Washington with his family after attending funeral services for Mrs. Truman's mother, Mrs. David Wallace, at his home in Independence, Missouri.

The statement was read to reporters by Mr. Tubby. It said: "I think if anyone has a reasonable plan for ending the Korean fighting in an honourable way, in a way that will not lead directly into a great war, that plan should be presented at once to the President. 'If we can cut this fighting in Korea short by one day, we should do so.'"

**NO STATEMENT**  
At General MacArthur's office in New York, his military aide, Lt. Col. S. Huff, said there was no statement at present on Mr. Truman's request. In his recent speech, General MacArthur did not specifically offer his plan to anyone, but it was understood he hoped the President-elect, Mr. Dwight Eisenhower, would respond.

General MacArthur mentioned the fact that he had not been consulted about Far East problems by anyone in either major political party in recent months. He referred to this in a radiogram to Mr. Eisenhower, which said: "This is the first time that the slightest official interest in my counsel has been evidenced since my return (from the Far East)." — United Press.

## Mau Mau's "We Will Kill You All" Threat



### Capt Threatens To Scuttle His Ship

Jerusalem, Dec. 10. Israeli officials tonight reported a spate of telegrams from a sea captain threatening to sink his ship in the Atlantic unless his father is made Communications Minister of Israel.

They said 24-year-old Captain Eden Graetz, Master of the 5,686-ton Abraham Graetz, who had apparently threatened his crew with a revolver, must have had a nervous breakdown. The ship's owners, the Dizengoff Line, rushed orders for the First Officer to take charge of the freighter, which was at sea aimlessly between New York and Halifax, Nova Scotia.

The radio operator replied: "Unable to do anything. Captain stands near me brandishing a pistol." First sign of trouble aboard the vessel with its crew of 30 came on Saturday in a cable to Prime Minister David Ben Gurion. It threatened that the ship would be scuttled unless Capt. Graetz's father, Mr. Heinz Graetz, was named Communications Minister.

This was followed by similar messages to the Communications Ministry and the Tel Aviv paper, Maariv, which disclosed the story tonight. Capt. Graetz's father has flown to Canada to be on call if needed. — Reuters.

### Armoured Shorts For US Troops

Washington, Dec. 10. The Army is ordering armoured shorts for its troops in Korea. They already have an armoured vest. An announcement said today that the shorts are like a boxer's trunks and weigh less than two kilos. The vest weighs about four kilos.

Designed to protect the hips, the abdomen and groin, the garment is made of 12 layers of flexible, laminated, nylon duck encased in a water resistant plastic layer with an outer covering of nylon fabric. It will deflect about 65 per cent of all types of missiles and reduce chafing and upper abdominal wounds by about 60 per cent. One thousand pairs of the shorts will be ready for delivery to Korea in February. — Reuters.

### Two Tankers In Collision

Gravelines, France, Dec. 10. A British and a French tanker rode at anchor today waiting for the fog to lift to determine the extent of damage suffered when they collided last night. The 9,443-ton British Tradition, Acle pulled away without aid from the 8,340-ton French Melkang after the two ran into each other in the English Channel, shrouded by fog. No crew members were injured. — United Press.

### TESTIMONY AT TRIAL

Kapenguria, Dec. 10. A district officer told the court trying six African leaders on Mau Mau charges here today that one of them declared when he was arrested: "All you — Europeans — will very soon be killed by the Mau Mau."

The arrest was made a fortnight before the emergency was declared in Kenya. The African ex-sergeant-major of the King's African Rifles, Paul Ngai, had said: "To hell with the British Empire. Mau Mau is going to drive you out of the country the same way as you have been driven out of India and the Gold Coast."

The District Officer, Mr. Geoffrey Pedraza, told the magistrate's court that he arrested Ngai at his home in Kapenguria after the African leader had escaped from custody. Ngai made the alleged threat to Europeans while being taken in handcuffs to the local gaol. Mr. Pedraza told the court he had arrested Ngai on October 7 in a shop in Kapenguria but that he had escaped from custody. Later that night he had been awakened by police and had driven to Ngai's house. Two policemen, he said, entered the house and came out followed by Ngai, who protested that it was scandalous that his house was searched.

**POSITION EXPLAINED**  
Mr. Pedraza said he told Ngai he had already explained to him that as a magistrate in law he did not need either search or arrest warrants, and that Ngai had already escaped from custody. He went on to say that Ngai began to hit and kick out and became abusive.

At this point Mr. D. M. Pritt, defending counsel, objected that nothing had been given which could conceivably connect Ngai with assisting in the management or being a member of the Mau Mau. After a long argument between counsel, Mr. Pritt allowed Mr. Pedraza to continue his evidence. Witness said that on his way back to Ngai, Ngai uttered threats that the Mau Mau would kill Europeans and that he was connected with the organisation.

The court was cleared of press and public just before the lunch adjournment, while the prosecutor applied for permission to take the evidence of his next witness in camera. Witness, who gave his name as Henry Ndoka Muli, was the (Contd. on back page, col. 2)

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## Debate In United Nations On Tunisian Situation: Close Vote Recorded

### Cyclone Havoc In India

Madras, Dec. 10. Damage estimated at 50,000,000 rupees was caused by the cyclone which hit Tanjore district, Madras province, on November 30. It is officially announced.

Altogether 249 people were killed, about 200,000 houses destroyed or damaged and 30,000 cattle killed. The Madras Chief Minister, C. Rajagopalachari, said that reports have still to come in from Trichinopoly district. — Associated Press.

### Gigantic Step In Medicine

TRIBUTE TO U.S. SCIENTIST

Stockholm, Dec. 10. Professor A. Wallgren of Karolinska Medical Institute, Stockholm, today described the streptomycin drug in the treatment of tuberculosis as a gigantic step forward in the history of medicine.

He was congratulating Russian-born Professor Selman A. Waksman of the United States, who discovered streptomycin in 1944 and was awarded this year's Nobel prize for medicine.

King Gustav Adolf today presented the 1952 Nobel awards in medicine, chemistry, physics and literature.

Professor Waksman is microbiologist at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Professor Arne Tiellus of Stockholm's Royal Academy of Science said important discoveries had been made by the chemical analysis of Dr. Archer Porter, Madison, 42, of London, and Dr. Richard Laurence Millington-Synges, 38, of Bucksburn, Aberdeenshire.

They share the Nobel chemistry prize of 171,334 Swedish crowns (£11,400) for their success in filter-paper chromatography—a form of analysis.

Professor Erik Hulten of the Royal Academy of Science praised the discoveries in nuclear physics made by two American scientists, Professor Edward Purcell of Harvard and Professor Felix Bloch of Stanford University, California, who share the physics prize.

Professor Purcell's work on the ionosphere is recognised as of the first importance for radio communications, while Professor Bloch is the inventor of a new technique for determining the properties of atomic nuclei.

Dr. Andres Osterling, president of the Swedish Academy of Literature, paid tribute to the work of M. Francois Mauriac, the 73-year-old French novelist awarded the literature prize.

M. Mauriac has been for many years regarded as France's leading Roman Catholic novelist. — Reuter.

### British Aid For Malta

London, Dec. 10. The Colonial Office revealed today that up to March, 1951, Malta had received £4,040,000 for reconstruction from Britain.

This is £1,925,000 more than the amount previously announced and still leaves £15,360,000 to be provided out of the £20,000,000 provided by Britain under the Malta Reconstruction Act of 1947.

A total of £2,337,844 was sent during 1950 and 1951 in making good war damage and carrying out other incidental work, the Colonial Office said.

Malta received the George Cross, highest non-military award for heroism, for the courage of her people under air attack. — Reuter.

### MANILA TRAGEDY

Manila, Dec. 10. "Save my soul because I am too lazy to eat to make a living," wrote Mrs. Leonila Andrada de Dobl, 28-year-old housewife.

She then sent out her four children to play, secured all the doors and windows of her house, swallowed a vial of poison and hanged herself. — Associated Press.

United Nations, Dec. 10. The United Nations Political Committee today rejected a proposal by Pakistan that a representative of the Bey of Tunis be invited to its debate on French rule in Tunisia.

The vote was 26 against, 24 in favour, with seven abstentions, two absent and Greece not participating.

Another provision in the Pakistan proposal, that an appeal be made to France to end her boycott of the Committee's debates on North Africa, was approved by 19 votes to 16, with 22 abstentions.

The resolution as a whole, which by this time included only the appeal to France—then went to the Committee and was defeated by 21 to 2 (Chile and Guatemala) with 34 abstentions.

The difference between these voting figures on the whole resolution and the earlier vote on France's boycott was due to procedural confusion in the Committee.

Many delegations who had approved the appeal to France were obviously uncertain how to vote on the resolution as a whole, seeing that the invitation to the Bey had been defeated. Some eventually opposed it and others abstained.

Britain, Australia and South Africa were among the nations which voted against both sections of the resolution and the resolution as a whole.

Pakistan first gave notice of her proposal to invite a representative of the Bey of Tunis at a meeting of the Committee last night. But the introduction of an appeal to France in the resolution placed before the Committee today had not been previously announced.

#### IMMEDIATE SPLIT

There was an immediate split in the Committee. Belgium said such an appeal to France would be useless and opposed inviting the Bey's representative.

Egypt and Iraq, on the other hand, said it was necessary to invite a representative of the Tunisian people to obtain first-hand information of the position there.

The Soviet Union supported an invitation, saying it would enable the Committee to obtain valuable information on the state of affairs in Tunisia.

Mr. R. H. Corton, South Africa, opposed an invitation. He instanced the action of the Committee in 1948 in rejecting a proposal that General Markos, leader of the Greek guerrillas, should be invited to its debates. Sir John Gorton, Britain, did not believe the Committee was competent to discuss the Tunisian question at all. France conducted Tunisia's foreign affairs and if a representative came before the Committee he would be, legally, only a private individual. If an invitation were issued now a precedent would be created "for the arrival here of almost anybody who wants to spread propaganda."

#### NOT A COURT

Mr. Philip Jessup, United States, also opposed an invitation. The Committee should not be concerned with collecting a lot of information about Tunisia "because we are not a court trying to pass judgment on evidence." The Committee must create an atmosphere of conciliation in which negotiations between France and Tunisia could proceed.

Dr. Farid Zeineddine, Syria, supporting the Pakistan resolution, said there had been occasions in the past in which the United Nations had invited interested parties to debates. The issue was one of securing more information and not of deciding the international status of the Bey. Mr. Zeineddine said President Roosevelt had recognised the Bey's status by requesting his permission for American troops to pass through Tunisia. Mr. Hussain of Pakistan said France should come to the debates and "warist us."

"We are discussing Tunisia with neither France nor the Bey here," he said. "Our aim is to come to a correct decision. We want both these parties to come to our assistance. Nobody can deny that France and the Bey are vitally interested," he added.

#### BETTER INSIGHT

In the past, the United Nations had invited to debates the representatives of a number of countries which were not of the Bey, such as Britain, Libya and Palestine.

Mr. Fudall Jamali, Iraq, said that if the Committee heard a

### New Engine For Hunter

London, Dec. 11.

Britain's Hawker Hunter sound-breaker, already generally acknowledged to be the world's fastest interceptor fighter plane, has now been equipped with an even more powerful engine.

The new engine, the Armstrong-Siddeley Sapphire jet, has a tested thrust of 8,300 pounds, higher than that of any other known gas turbine in the world.

Hunters, previously fitted with Rolls-Royce Avon Engines, were taken off the secret list in September but their speed has remained a close secret. Newspapers have estimated it at higher than the present established record of 670.9 miles an hour held by the North American F-86 Sabre jet.

The new Hunter made its maiden flight a few days ago with Britain's best known test pilot, Neville Duke, at the controls.

When he landed after a 25-minute flight Duke reported that the plane had behaved perfectly. — Reuter.

### Charlie Chaplin To Make New Film

Geneva, Dec. 10. Mr. Charlie Chaplin said today that he intends to begin a new film in about six months. It will have a European background. Mr. Chaplin's two elder children will go to school in Switzerland while he is in Europe. — Reuter.

#### PARIS STATEMENT

Paris, Dec. 10. A French Foreign Office spokesman said today: "The nations which have been clamouring for United Nations interference in North Africa are indirectly responsible for the latest events in Morocco and Tunisia."

"As long as North Africa is on the United Nations agenda, a settlement with the two countries will be delayed."

About Monday's riots in Casablanca, the spokesman said: "Farhad Hachadi's death was a mere pretext for the disturbances, which had evidently been carefully organised well in advance."

The spokesman added that the Islamic nationalist movement "had marched together with the Communists" during the latest events in Morocco. — Reuter.

### Red Group Uncovered

Ankara, Dec. 10. The Turkish Press today disclosed the discovery by the police of a clandestine Communist organisation.

The organisation is reported to have ramifications in Istanbul and to be in contact with the "Committee of Young Turkey," the headquarters of which is in Paris and which is in contact with Moscow.

The organisation's leaders were understood to include Turkish intellectuals. — France Press.

### Iraq Oil Shipment

Damascus, Dec. 10. The Iraq Petroleum Company announced that crude oil shipped from Syrian ports during last month totalled 685,393 tons. Oil shipments from the Lebanon port of Tripoli during the same period were 675,313 tons. — Reuter.

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# WEST EUROPE'S DEFENCES

## Goal Not Expected To Be Achieved General Ridgway's Warning To Chiefs Of Staff

### Defence Talks Progressing

London, Dec. 10. Seven-nation talks on Middle East defence are going on satisfactorily, it was announced in the House of Commons today. Mr Nigel Birch, Parliamentary Secretary to the Defence Ministry, disclosing this in reply to a written question, said he was not in a position to make any further statements at this stage.

The discussions were being held on the basis of British proposals, which include suggestions for the establishment of a planning board for a Middle East Defence Organisation.

These proposals were sent to the governments of the United States, France, Turkey, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa.—Reuter.

### GEN. SALAN IN NASAN

Paris, Dec. 10. The French Commander-in-Chief in Indo-China, General Raoul Salan, today visited Nasan, fortified island and main French stronghold in the mountainous Thai country of northwest Indo-China, the French press agency reported from Hanoi.

Patrols pushing out of Nasan have met stronger Vietnamese resistance, but the expected large-scale Vietnamese attack on the base is still awaited.

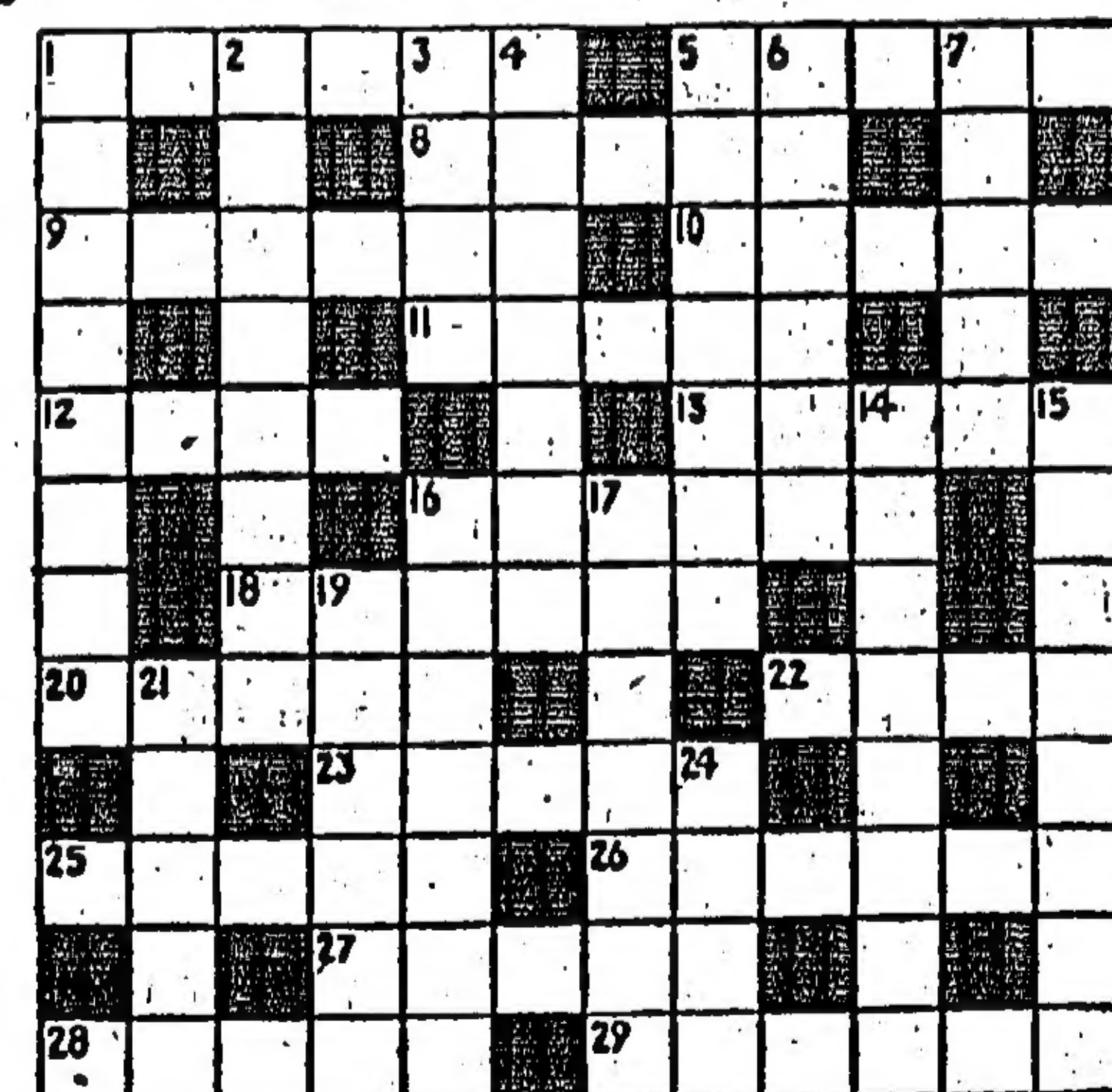
French troops from the Red River delta post of Lieu Dong made four vain attempts to break through Vietnamese rebel forces they encountered in a sortie towards a neighbouring village.

Lieu Dong, about nine-and-a-half miles southeast of Thai Binh in the south of the delta, was lost and recaptured by the French three weeks ago.

Further north, a French reconnaissance company took 54 prisoners when it attacked on a Vietnamese political-military meeting south of the Hanoi-Haiphong road.—Reuter.

Moscow, Dec. 10. Faik Huseyin Hozar, the new Turkish Ambassador to the Soviet Union, presented his credentials today to Soviet President Shvernik in the Kremlin. Five members of the Turkish Embassy staff accompanied him.—Reuter.

### A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Term (6).
  - Closely packed (5).
  - Rhythm (3).
  - Diminish (6).
  - Keen (5).
  - Wanderer (6).
  - Female relative (4).
  - Closes up (5).
  - Haunt (6).
  - Concord (6).
  - Relieves (5).
  - Exclude (4).
  - Assailed (5).
  - Severe (6).
  - Corroded (6).
  - Inclined (5).
  - Pokes (5).
  - More stupid (6).
- DOWN**
- Readily perceived (8).
  - Gummy (8).
  - Sign (4).
  - Indicates (7).
  - Treachery (7).
  - Dive (6).
  - Angler's basket (5).
  - Jumpers, for example (8).
  - Waste (6).
  - Rebellions (7).
  - Became less wild (7).
  - Approached (8).
  - Player (5).
  - Fop (4).

**YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD**—Across: 1 Pillar, 5 Satyr, 8 Rest, 9 Torrid, 11 Arise, 12 Deduct, 14 Ruse, 16 Tub, 18 Greet, 19 Dens, 20 Belate, 24 Trout, 25 Avatars, 26 Lute, 27 Dodge, 28 Erases, Down: 1 Path, 2 Land, 3 Arid, 4 Reduce, 5 Statute, 6 Thrusts, 7 Restore, 10 Revue, 13 Ignited, 15 Respond, 16 Sordid, 17 Unite, 18 Dilate, 21 Avar, 23 Err, 24

Paris, Dec. 10.

The Atlantic Pact armies in Western Europe will number about 60 divisions at the end of next year, according to preliminary estimates considered by the Pact's Military Committee, usually reliable sources said today.

This is 10 divisions short of the provisional aims for 1953 set by the Atlantic Council in Lisbon last February.

Roughly half of the 60 divisions will be in reserve—the same proportion as the reserve strength of the present 50 divisions allotted to General Matthew Ridgway, the European Supreme Commander.

Build-up of the Allied air forces will also fall a good way short of the reported figure of 7,000 planes set at Lisbon as the target for 1953.

These figures are based on what NATO governments said they could produce next year in their replies to the questionnaire sent out last summer by the Permanent Council in Paris, the sources said.

Cuts in national rearmament programmes and the continued diversion of allied strength to the Middle East and Southeast Asia "are responsible for the cuts in the goals for Europe."

The Netherlands has said that she can countenance no increase in her defence spending. The only hope of increasing the effort in Europe will be a reduction of military commitments elsewhere, the sources said.

### BRITAIN'S COURSE

For France and the United States there is little prospect of this while the Indo-China and Korean wars continue.

It might be easier for the British who still retain large forces in the Middle East. An end to the Anglo-Egyptian dispute now seems in sight and this will almost certainly mean a large evacuation of British troops from the Suez Canal garrison.

But British sources here doubted whether Britain would agree to transfer her Middle East servicemen to Europe. She is known to be apprehensive for additional expenditure will fall on her when West Germany's contribution to the expenses of Allied troops is next due.

One authoritative source said today Britain is more likely to concentrate on rebuilding her strategic reserve in Britain.

In sum, the picture that faces NATO next year is one of making good and improving her present strength in Europe in order not to prejudice the internal security of her members by returning at the expense of national solvency.

The Pact's two Supreme Commanders, General Ridgway and Admiral Lynde McCormick,

today reported to the Military Committee on the progress within their commands this year.

They gave high praise, it is understood, to the performance of Allied servicemen in the manoeuvres held within their commands.

The 13 Chiefs of Staff will tomorrow sit in a joint session with the Permanent Council of NATO under the Chairmanship of the Secretary-General, Lord Ismay.

The committee today approved a recommendation to appoint the British Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten to a new naval sub-command in the Mediterranean. It was stated, Admiral Mountbatten is the present Commander-in-Chief of the British Mediterranean Fleet.

It was also stated that the committee approved a provisional programme for the construction of new airfields and military installations in Europe next year. Unconfirmed reports put the cost of the proposed programme at more than £150 million.

It was officially stated later tonight the General Ridgway told the Chiefs of Staff that he was thoroughly satisfied with the build-up of his forces this year.

But he warned: "Nevertheless the forces available to me are still not sufficient to give the necessary security to the member nations of the alliance."

—Reuter.

**ACHESON STATEMENT**  
Washington, Dec. 10.

The Secretary of State, Mr Dean Acheson, said today he did not expect the December 15 meeting of the North Atlantic Pact Council of Foreign, Finance and Defence Ministers to reach very great conclusions on plans for Atlantic defence in 1953.

Questioned at his Press conference about prospects for NATO, Mr Acheson said it had been hoped the meeting could complete the annual review of defence targets for 1953 but this was not proving possible.

It had taken longer than was expected to get data and analyses from member countries required to complete the review.

Therefore, he added, there could be only preliminary consideration of the defence projects at the meeting.—Reuter.

### Occupation Land Deal Appeal

London, Dec. 10. The Privy Council in London reserved judgment on a Malayan appeal against a land settlement payment in Japanese occupation dollars.

The appeal was brought by P.C.R.L. Letchumun Chettiar to whom in 1943 lands at Machap, Malacca, were conveyed by the respondent, A.L.S. Sadasayappa Chettiar, by way of mortgage—to secure repayment of \$20,000.

Respondent repaid the sum in Japanese occupation currency in two amounts of \$10,000 and \$10,000 and the title deeds were returned to him.

Appellant contended that the \$10,000 should be revalued in accordance with the Deftor and Creditor Occupation Period Ordinance of 1948.

A decision in his favour by the Malacca High Court was later reversed by the Malayan Court of Appeal.—Reuter.

### Alleged Murder By Poisoned Sweets

Tokyo, Dec. 10. Tokyo police today transferred Toshio Tanaka and his wife to the Prosecutor's Office on charges of murdering Toshio's mother with poisoned sweets.

Toshio's wife confessed she helped him kill his mother because she was a "disobedient daughter".—Reuter.

### Winner In The Saar



Herr Hoffman, the Saar Prime Minister, who retains his post following the victory of his party—the pro-French Christian People's Party—in the elections for the Saar Parliament. The winning party polled 55 per cent of the votes.—Express Photo.

## Gigantic Scheme To Go Ahead On Gold Coast

London, Dec. 10. Agreement having been reached in principle among all the parties concerned, a White Paper will be published soon outlining the Government's proposals for proceeding with the Volta river project to mine and smelt aluminium in the Gold Coast. It is estimated to cost more than £200 million, and is likely to prove the greatest single colonial development project ever undertaken.

It will be tackled by a unique partnership of public and private enterprise.

It is proposed to set up a Volta River Board, which will be composed of representatives of the British Government, the Gold Coast Government, Aluminium Ltd. of Canada and the British Aluminium Co. Ltd., to manage the entire development.

A major share of the financing will fall on the British Treasury, followed by Aluminium Ltd. of Canada, with both the Gold Coast Government and British Aluminium Co. making substantial contributions. The project which will necessitate the building of five new towns, will mean that.

**SAVING DOLLARS**  
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For the Gold Coast, there will be the opportunity of integrated agricultural and industrial development over a large area on a scale comparable with the T.V.A. and similar American projects; and

for the companies, new production will be developed at a point where bauxite, the aluminium ore, is found cheek by jowl with cheap hydro-electric power in sufficient volume to smelt it. The bauxite now mined in Jamaica has to be carried to Canada for smelting.

The whole approach to the project is therefore strictly practical and economic.

All parties have been anxious to proceed with the scheme, but negotiations have been overshadowed by the debate at Abadan. The Gold Coast Government, moving rapidly (as they believe) towards Dominion status, have been anxious to avoid not only the fact but the appearance of any infringement of national independence.

### LONG-TERM SECURITY

The participating companies have been mindful of the need for long-term security for capital investment on such a scale. But a solution has been found which satisfies all sides. The scale of the project is enormous. The dam for the hydro-power plant will create a lake 2,000 square miles in area. The plant itself will be as big as the Ham Road plant at Birmingham—which is the biggest in Europe. Also planned are an electricity grid (£25 million), a new port at Tema (£10 million), and an irrigation scheme (£5 million).

The aluminium companies, operating it is understood through a jointly-owned subsidiary, will undertake the mining of the bauxite, and the building and operation of the plant.

The Gold Coast Government have already decided to go ahead with the construction of the new port at Tema and has begun to recruit staff. Recent forecasts indicate that substantial output can be expected in considerably less time than the ten years originally planned.

## UN DELEGATES CELEBRATE AN ANNIVERSARY

United Nations, Dec. 10. This is the fourth Human Rights Day for the United Nations and the delegates are celebrating it with words instead of music.

Usually the U.N. puts on a symphony concert for the occasion with all the plush that diplomacy can muster, to honour the anniversary of its adoption of the Declaration of Human Rights.

But this year, the economy-conscious U.N. took a look at its pocketbook and at the protests of taxpayers and decided not to spend the \$40,000 necessary to convert the General Assembly room into a huge concert hall.

Instead, the Assembly was called into session to hear speeches praising the declaration.

Times and men have changed since a debate-wary General Assembly at a late night session in Paris' Palais de Chaillot approved the declaration, 48-0.

It was not unanimous. The six members of the Soviet bloc abstained after losing a bitter battle to postpone action until the 1949 Assembly. The Soviet Foreign Minister, Andrei Y. Vyshinsky, said the declaration did not go far enough for the Soviet Union but he did not vote against it. There were six in the Soviet camp in those days but Yugoslavia broke away shortly afterward.

Saudi Arabia also abstained on that vote because the declaration acknowledged the rights of any one to change his religion and this violated Moslem precept.

### MRS. ROOSEVELT

South Africa, which has been in hot water almost since the founding of the U.N. on charges of discrimination against minorities or races, abstained because the declaration "goes too far."

Some of the veteran delegates who had a hand in shaping that document still are with the U.N. Others have gone on to other fields.

M. Vyshinsky at present is aboard ship en route home from the present Assembly, full of bitterness and anger at the U.N. for approving an Indian resolution which, delegates said, would show the way to a settlement of the Korean war. M. Vyshinsky denounced the resolution as too American for him. He is also angry because the Assembly abruptly rejected his own plan for ending the Korean war.

Mrs Franklin D. Roosevelt, widow of one of the founders of the U.N. and a delegate at every regular Assembly since the organisation was formed in 1945, stands out in American minds as the foremost champion of the declaration. She sat through three months of Social Committee meetings in Paris in 1948 to help push the declaration through and was in her seat in the Assembly Hall when it was approved.

She is still on the job and only yesterday repeated her advice to Soviet delegates to stop shedding crocodile tears about injustice in the United States. She told them that at least in this country a man can criticise his Government without being hanged for it.

### A FAR CRY

The acting chief of the United States delegation when the declaration was approved was John Foster Dulles. He had been disappointed that Autumn when the defeat of Governor Thomas E. Dewey by President Harry Truman kept him from appointment as Secretary of State. Mr Dulles is now aboard the cruiser Helena in the Pacific conferring with President-elect Dwight D. Eisenhower as Secretary of State-designate.

Herbert V. Ewart, Australian Foreign Minister and President of the 1948 Assembly, hailed the adoption of the declaration and expressed hope that the U.N. would soon make it legally binding through a covenant of human rights.

### U.S. Rejects Protests

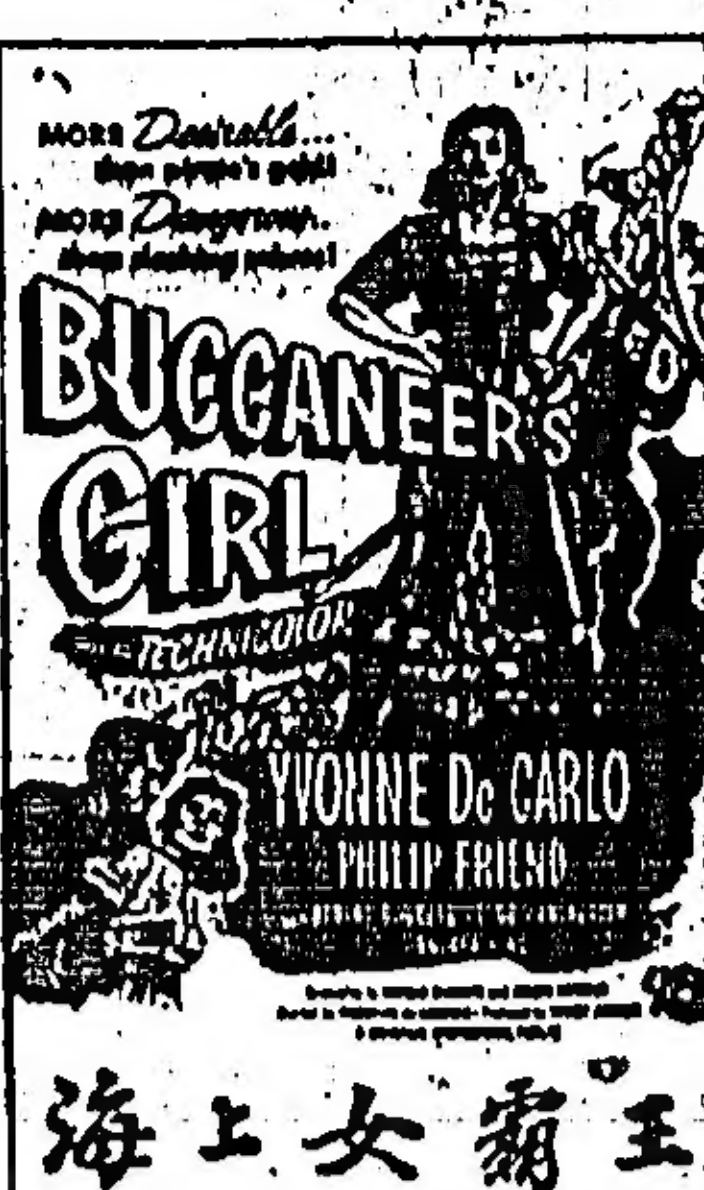
Washington, Dec. 10.

The United States has told representatives of Britain, France and other shipping powers that she can make no alterations in the elaborate new system for checking, for "security" and "Communism," all steamers entering American ports after December 24.

The British, French, Swedish and Italian Embassies have for several weeks been protesting to the State Department against the new regulations. They are being introduced to enforce the new McCarran Act designed, among other objectives, to prevent Communists and other "insecure" persons from landing in the United States, even for brief stays to leave periods.

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# The World of Rosa Lewis

ONE WOMAN'S CURIOUS FAME WRITES 'FINIS' TO A VANISHED AGE

By Jack Miller

THE fame of Rosa Lewis, whose death was announced a few days ago, was a compact thing. Nine people in ten may never have heard the name, to the tenth—and that would be a man—Rosa was a reality and a legend. And an age.

Her age was the Edwardian. Or shall we be kinder and say her heyday was the Edwardian. Her age spanned the reigns, coming in with hansom cabs and refusing to go out with doodle-bugs and rockets.

For Rosa was two things: the spirit of society on a night out—a slightly raffish night out, if you like—and she was a silvery soul sitting defiant in an armchair, sipping champagne, while the bombs dropped around and the plaster fell on her.

Rosa was a legend—I said that; they said so many things about her, over so many years, that it is difficult to separate the corn from the truth.

That hotel of hers, for a start. The Cavendish, in Jermyn Street, London. The gossip of the day said that Edward VII gave it to her, and Lord Ribblesdale furnished it.

But nobody ever proved those things, or tried to.

But we do know that Edward VII used to go there. Everybody did.

Everybody who was anybody; which means the bloods who were blades in the dim and distant, and are now staid old entries in the pages of Debrett or the Almanach de Gotha or the New York Social Register. Or, more likely, just a reference in Who Was Who.

They talked a lot about the Saturday-to-Monday parties which Rosa and her girls ran for wealthy guests, but nobody wrote much about them.

The kind of thing they said was not the kind of thing you write. Let us admit that Rosa knew how to throw a gay party, and leave it at that. She knew how to cook and to cater too. Plenty has been written about that.

### To Work At 12

AND when you work it out—if we accept half of what has been written and nothing of what has been said about Rosa Lewis—she leaves not a bad legacy to fame, considering that she

started life as a clock-maker's daughter, and went to work when she was 12. As a shilling-a-week kitchen-maid at the Comte de Paris's, at Sandhurst.

There was a time when Rosa ran a guest house in Belgrave—you know, the place Queen Victoria insisted on calling Pimlico.

Around 1911 she used to go down to Lord Astor's River Castle to see to the cooking for parties. She arrived by car with a coronet on the door. Lord Ribblesdale's.

By 1925 she had met so many kings and catered for so many cards that a book was

written about her. They called it "The Queen of Cooks—and Some Kings."

Top of the Kings, of course, was Edward VII, and it is recalled—in case you are culinary minded—that he liked plain food, boiled bacon, and "flat beans"; that he liked a plain boiled pear with no colouring, and the only flavouring he liked with his fruit was kirsch.

The Kaiser came into the book, too. The last Kaiser, the one with the withered arm, and it is recorded that he was "very generous" to Rosa, and that on account of his arm he ate with four specially made forks, and couldn't tackle fresh herrings.

She saw everybody who came in—her sitting-room door was never closed. She used to say nobody could use her hotel unless they were "introduced," and once she admonished a noisy young man: "You treat my house as if it was an hotel."

### Once In Trouble

SHE was only once in trouble. In 1939 she was fined £40 for selling drinks after time. By then Rosa had been running the Cavendish 38 years, during which her solicitor said, "the house had a wonderful reputation and there had never been the slightest complaint."

But in 1925 a woman's diary was read in the Divorce Court. This

stockholders went to law and he had to buy them out. He sued the Chicago Tribune when it called him an "ignoramus," won his case, and was awarded humiliating damages of six cents. Bitterly hurt, he spent the rest of his life trying to prove how intelligent and educated he was.

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So the man who had said, without thinking much about it, that history was bunk found himself in his eighties harassed by any object with a history. The past had its revenge. "Current time," says Mr. Geyret, "damned his mind, and the future his imagination, but the past had his heart."



ROSA, THE DEFIANT, THE GENUINE  
"For me, champagne. For my guests, champagne."



Souvenirs, a visitor's book, a picture of the original Kippie.

There was a lot more like that in the book, and many names: Baron Hirsch, who left King Edward £50,000 in his will, and this bit about Winston Churchill:—

"I was cooking (for Lady Randolph Churchill, her second employer) and her son came into the kitchen and said, 'Is the King coming?' I thought he was the hairdresser, so I called him 'Copper top' and told him to clear out."

But the story was written not by Rosa, but by an American woman, journalist called Lawton, and Rosa denied the whole lot and said the book was a travesty.

Actually Rosa wrote her own story round the walls of the front room at the Cavendish; there hung 800 pictures of the famous: Edward VII and the Kaiser and the Duke of Windsor, Sir William Eden—father of Anthony—Randolph Churchill, Lord Portarlington, Lord Lovat, Isadora Duncan and Ellen Terry, Geoffrey Keyes the V.C., Prince Obolensky, Augustus John, and Lord Longdale, along with dukes, marquises, viscounts, barons, baronets, and knights, Tallulah Bankhead and Michael Redgrave and a few more.

### Two Bomb Hits

SHE lined the wall too with a "wall newspaper," made up of clippings about her famous friends. And about the war.

The war came home to her, with two hits on the Cavendish. But it never closed, and she never moved... and, of course, the picture of the Kaiser had long since been removed. Some subalterns dumped it down the passage. And a bomb that landed on a Piccadilly church in 1941 destroyed many of the others.

It used to be said that whenever a young man of family came to London his father would tell him—as his father has told him in his time—"Go and see Rosa Lewis."

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THE CAVENDISH  
Through these doors...

woman said she had spent the night before her wedding at the Cavendish, and the diary said:

"Left Bam early morning. Horrible. Doped up with brandy. Married 12.35."

The man she married was not Bam, the man she left in the early morning.

In 1927 this woman said she was to be married again to another man, a 54-year-old bachelor who lived at the Cavendish.

The story of Rosa's own wedding, if you care to accept it, is quite something. She was Rosa Ovenden, of a nine-child family transplanted to Leyton in Essex; not yet 20, beautiful as morning in Killarney and quick on the brow. Bride and groom staggered on the way out of church.

That book, the American one that Rosa refused, quotes her:—

"I don't know why I married, but I just did."

"I was not in love with Lewis—everybody else was in love with him."

"My family said if I did not marry they would shoot me; so naturally I married, and after that? Then I threw the ring at him at the church door and left him flat."

Rosa drank nothing but champagne, expected her "guests" to drink nothing but champagne, and if they drank it "but could not afford it" somehow it appeared on the bill of somebody who could.

She spent £50,000 on her hotel and she gave thousands away.

For 50 years she had that hotel, and for 50 years she had a companion, Miss Edith Jeffrey. For years and years she had a dog called Kippie, a West Highland white terrier.

Kippie was in the trenches once, with some of Rosa's departed guests; Kippie died and Kippie was reborn; but always there was a white terrier called Kippie at the Cavendish, till in the end nobody knows how many Kippies there have been.

During the two wars, the Cavendish, by nature a genteel "family" hotel, became again a meeting place for young men—briefly—about-town.

You could walk in any morning and see letters for half a dozen or more titled men lying on the hall table. You probably still can.

And you can still hear stories of Rosa's legendary generosity.

Nobody can count the number of young men who lingered on at the Cavendish expecting their unpaid bills to be waved in their faces—and the bills were never produced.

Always there was a drink for a friend, and a little pungent wit, and a little rosy language almost to the end.

### Not Many Guests

HER friends might like to know that Rosa did not suffer much.

She did not drink champagne on her last day—pity! That would have been so much in character. She was just drowsy. And the point on the ground-floor suite where she lived so long was still wet. Somehow one feels Rosa must have resented dying upstairs. Even at 85.

And the hotel was quiet. Not many guests. In the 100 rooms; a sort of between-season with the Christmas shoppers yet to arrive, and the top floor still suffering from the war.

Her nephew, Mr. Frederick Hills, says the hotel will go on just the same, still the Cavendish. But will it?—Without Rosa?

## SPIVSKI

Zoot-suit

Ivan gets

an official

carpeting



His only interests: "Jazz and Linda." (The drawing is Russian.)

lacked. His stare is vacant. His only interest is jazz music and his cult for the divine Linda.

In a further article Komsomolskaya Pravda tells how a schoolgirl called Nina fell in love with Rem Sabinov, a student of the Moscow University School of Law.

Rem is bad, very bad, says the paper. He swindled Nina out of her money to buy himself a motor-cycle. But, what is much worse, he took her to a students' party where everybody talked about "the gay life, and jazz music."

Students who are interested in such things neglect their studies, and are always at the bottom of their class. To ram the point home, another article in the Komsomol organ pictures two students of Anatoli Danilov and Ivan the Moscow Financial Institute, Abdullayev.

### EXCITED

Danilov sits with one leg placed high upon the other, chomping a piece of "American gum." The prospect of getting hold of a foreign-made shirt makes him tremendously excited.

Abdullayev lives only for restaurants and a good time.

The campaign raises an interesting point: How did the zoot suit and the "Linda" cult get not only to Moscow but even as far as remote Rostov?

Perhaps by way of Soviet soldiers stationed in Berlin and Vienna, maybe through Soviet or foreign diplomats or sailors.

But it shows that the Iron Curtain is not as tightly closed as it seems. It may be that along with the despised zoot suit, the "jazz music" and the cult for movie stars, young Russians sometimes manage to get a glimpse of an unknown thing called freedom.

RALPH HEWINS

## HE MADE MOTOR MILLIONS IN THE MODEL T WAY

By NANCY SPAIN

I don't like to read books, they mess up my mind.

THIS was the opinion of Henry Ford, the boss mechanic, designer, and mass manufacturer of the good old Model T, the Model A Ford, and the Ford V8—the Henry Ford who thought history was bunk.

His own historical significance is brilliantly discussed in *THE WILD WHEEL* (Crest Press, 15s.), by Garret Garrett.

Ford also thought "too many figures make your head swell up like a drum." All his life he waged a violent, personal war against statisticians.

Apparently he discovered a nest of them, collected in a corner of River Rouge, his famous motor works. He sent for Sorenson, the production manager.

"Did I hear you needed space?" he said.

Sorenson agreed. "In that corner on the second floor," said Ford, "there is a big room with a lot of people making figures. You can have that space if you go and take it."

A few other things that Ford thought were—

A business that makes too much profit disappears almost as quickly as one that operates at a loss.

Machines are to a mechanic what books are to a writer.

Everybody wants to be some place he ain't... as soon as he gets there he wants to go right back.

And it was on this revolutionary creed, with a capital of only 28,000 dollars, that Ford built a motor business that changed the American way of life.

He wanted all Americans to have cars because he wanted his own employees to have them. And that is why he doubled pay packets and set his target at producing a Ford every ten seconds.

He did it, too, and this was his achievement in 1914.

He produced only the dear old Model T, which could be mended by anyone with a spare part and a book of the words. And second, he invented the conveyor belt and to banished for ever from his factories the cosy sight of a car standing still, surrounded by mechanics pulling the rope that moved the running like beavers, waiting time with every step they took.

It was Sorenson, the mighty wrecker of statisticians, who pulled the rope that moved the first conveyor belt. And it was Sorenson who, years later in World War II, "consulting" for a firm of aircraft manufacturers, remembered Ford's first principle.

"I don't understand this bird's nest method," he said. "First you build the plane and then you bring everything into it through little holes. I'd build it in sections, then stuff the sections and bring them together last."

And this revolutionised the aircraft industry. But the first revolution was Ford's, who virtually invented mass production.

He did a lot of other crazy things too. He equipped a Peace ship in World War I. He ran for President, stopping off the wagon at the last minute in favour of Calvin Coolidge. He ploughed back all profits into his business until the other

stockholders went to law and he had to buy them out.

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## JACOBY ON BRIDGE

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4♥	Pass
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By OSWALD JACOBY

SOMETIMES I wonder what goes on in a player's mind when he makes a particularly faulty play. In today's hand South and West hammered away at each other with great accuracy until East got into the picture with a very foolish mistake.

West opened the four of clubs and declarer won in his own hand with the king. South entered dummy with the king of hearts and returned the ten of spades for a finesse. This was such a fine way of beginning the hand that it is worth a little comment.

South could be pretty sure of making his contract if West held the queen of hearts, but it didn't matter whether he took the finesse late or early. If South could win only four heart tricks, however, he would need three spades for his contract. West therefore had to take the spade finesse first, since if that lost, West could not continue the club.

As it turned out, West won the spade with the queen and now had to find some way of giving his partner a chance to return to South's ten. Spade return was obviously hopeless.

A heart return would simply develop declarer's suit for him. West could not afford to lay down the ace of diamonds since that would remove his entry to the long club. West therefore had to lead the deuce of diamonds in the hope that his partner had the king of diamonds. West therefore played the deuce of diamonds.

South had followed West's reasoning and saw that West had come to the correct conclusion. East would make a mistake. Declarer therefore played the ace of diamonds from the dummy.

East undidly played the nine of diamonds. West therefore had to somehow save his precious king. South cleverly won with the ten of diamonds and took the heart finesse. East could take the queen of hearts, but now no defence could defeat the contract.

East's correct play, of course, is to put up the king of diamonds like a little man, and to return the five of clubs. This knocks out dummy's ace of clubs. Whenever declarer tries to develop the hearts, East will win with the queen hearts in time to lead the diamond to his partner's ace. The long clubs then defeat the contract.

## INTELLIGENCE TEST

### APPLE

By T. O. HARE

"THE next race," said Rabbit, consulting his card, "is for gentlemen farmers. There are four starters: Apple, Cherry, Plum and Sprat. Each of the four owners, too, is a horse owner. One of the four horses other than his own: each horse, too, is ridden by one of the four owners. The horse owned by Apple is not Plum; the horse owned by Plum is not Sprat. Sprat was not riding Cherry, and Apple was not riding the namesake of a fruit.

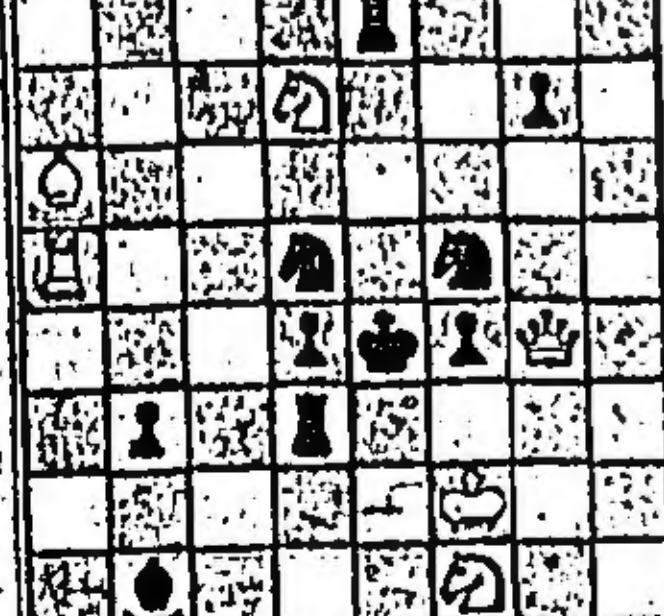
Who rode Apple?

(Solution on Page 10)

## CHES PROBLEM

By J. HARTUNG

Black, 10 pieces.



White, 6 pieces.  
White to play; mate in two.  
Solution: 1. ♖e1-e8, ♔e8-e7; 2. ♔e7-e8, ♖e8-e7; 3. ♔e8-e7, ♖e7-e8; 4. ♔e7-e8, ♖e8-e7; 5. ♔e8-e7, ♖e7-e8; 6. ♔e7-e8, ♖e8-e7.

## BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

THE other day a letter appeared in a morning paper asking what had become of muffins, and why they had disappeared.

I followed the correspondence on the subject, and very soon the letter had been expected was printed. It said that muffins are better educated today in the choice of what food is good for them, and that muffins are better educated today in the choice of what food is good for them, and that muffins are better educated today in the choice of what food is good for them.

**The chemical age**  
HOT-FOOT upon this correspondence came an announcement that the production of synthetic foods by chemists (notably from meat and oil) may solve all our food problems. The Professor who made this announcement at a dinner given by the chemists, not to be too optimistic (my italics) about this possibility. There is no doubt that the chemists, and the chemist, and that far too many people are ready to sell the birth-

## YOUR BIRTHDAY

By STELLA

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11

BORN today, you have a good head for business and should be able to solve financial problems easily. It is likely that you will make considerable money—and hang on to it. If you don't watch your money, you will lose it. You have given you many talents and you will be especially gifted, probably in the musical line, to be able to play some instrument well and might lead forward to a considerable career in the music business.

You have a magnetic personality which draws people to you, but you also have a sharp tongue which repels. You must learn to curb it if you are not to hurt others unintentionally. You have the ability to sway audiences and might make a good actor, lecturer or politician. In fact, the stars have given you so many talents that you may have difficulty in selecting the one that will hold your interest. You must learn that to achieve a single objective will bring you to the quickest success. Select a career for yourself and then relegate your other interests to the status of avocations and hobbies. You are probably fond of travel and will want to see a considerable portion of the earth during your life time.

Affectionate and demonstrative, you should seek someone who is warmhearted and responsive. Your home life should be happy one and you will enjoy having a large family of your own growing up around you. Be careful that you do not make an over-indulgent parent.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)—New ideas and new freedom to-day, and the chances are that they will all be good ones.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Be diplomatic yet forceful; agree to disagree. The results will be excellent.

LEO (July 21-Aug. 23)—Extend your generous sympathy to those in need.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)—You will find a little more to life than you thought.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Fine aspects for being helpful to others. Offer your services graciously to those in need.

CANCER (June 22-July 21)—Don't carry a chip on your shoulder and don't gossip with your neighbors.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Your business is showing signs of strain; a little economy now might be in order.

PICES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Don't forget that you have Christmas shopping to get finished.

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## WOMANSENSE



AT LEFT: A jaunty jacket in this Tescan Leopard Lamb model with contrasting Beaver Lamb trimmings. Deep cavalier cuffs and the large sailor collar are special features of this new design in the lower price range.

AT RIGHT: Designed for Coronation year is this three-quarter length jacket with the new bat-wing collar and sophisticated tapered sleeves. The jacket, by Astrak, is one of the Coronation range of Regal Franleen models for 1953.



COMES colder weather and appetites run high, which makes such items as good boiled dinners and brown stews high on the list of regular day-to-day dishes. Really, there's virtue in making old-fashioned-as-calcio combinations such as corned beef and cabbage, but how about giving such fare a new twist with sweet potatoes? A good tossed salad for this one, and a fruity first course or dessert.

NEW TWIST FOR OLD FAVOURITES  
By ALICE DENHOFF  
To serve 6, cover 4 pounds corned beef with water and simmer 3-5 hours, or until tender. Thirty minutes before meat is done, add 6 medium-sized sweet potatoes, pared, then 15 minutes after that, add one medium-sized cabbage, quartered. When finished cooking, arrange on chop plate.

Corned Beef Casserole  
If the refrigerator holds enough for 2 c. chopped, cooked corned beef, then get prepared for a good casserole dish. To serve 6, alternate layers of cooked rice and the corned beef in greased casserole. Combine 2½ c. cooked tomatoes, one c. water, ½ c. chopped onion, 1½ tsp. each salt and Worcestershire sauce and a few grains of pepper. Pour over beef-rice layers; cover. Bake at 350° F. for 30 minutes. Takes 6 c. cooked rice.

Veal Stew  
Cut 2 oz. salt pork in tiny pieces and fry in deep frying pan or pot roast kettle until crisp and brown. Cube the veal, flour lightly with 2 tbsp. flour, then brown pieces in salt pork fat. When well browned, add 2 tsp. salt and 2 c. water slowly. Cook slowly for 1½ hours, then add one c. cut celery and 1½ c. noodles, continuing to cook until noodles are tender.

A good way to complement meat is with dried fruits. After cooking ham sausage or salt pork, leave some of the drippings in the pan. Add dried fruit, which has been cooked and drained, sprinkle with sugar, and fry until brown.

## An Artist Of Almond Paste And Water

By GAY PAULEY

New York. Catherine Wortman is one of America's most unusual artists.

No oils, no water colours, no clay for this auburn-haired girl from Emporium, Pa. She works with sugar and water, and sometimes almond paste, and you can eat as well as admire the results.

Miss Wortman is a Swiss-trained sugar artist. She moulds and blows a hot mixture of sugar and water into almost anything from Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs to a gingerbread house.

One phase of sugar art, the youthful Cathy explains, is as much a part of the Swiss tradition as cheese and yodeling. That is the one of working with sugar and almond paste, a pliable, putty-like substance known as marzipan. The other phase of sugar art, that of working with the boiling hot syrup, is a post-war development.

"It's a technique developed by a German," she said. "It's now being taught in at least two art schools in Switzerland."

As far as Catherine can determine, she is the only American woman making a free-lance career of sugar art.

She cooks sugar and water together—the proportions and the cooking time are her secret—and then, in much the same way a glass blower works, she blows and moulds the sugar mixture to any form she desires.

Her first work—now her good luck piece—was a miniature of a monk. The body was blown from the sugar and water, but the robe, the belt, the headpiece and other details were added later from marzipan, which can be coloured almost any shade.

Miss Wortman decided on her unusual career while she was on a European vacation with her family in 1948.

"I kept seeing these little candy figures in every shop window," she said. "They told me there was a good school for learning the art in Basle, but no women ever had been admitted."

FURTHER STUDY  
"I came home, but after much letter writing back and forth across the Atlantic, the school finally admitted me."

After Basle, she studied further at Lucerne. So far, her sugar art has been mostly for commercial use—for cooking pages of magazines, for displays by food companies.

She made a gingerbread house for a children's book display by the New York Public Library, and then by proudly while children gobbled it up—down to the last gumdrop of the roof, the last sugar cube of the chimney, the last cookie tree.

The sugar artist said everything about her unusual career is fun, but the moulding of the hot sugar and water.

"You have to have it almost boiling," she said. "When I first started, I used to get blisters on my hands. Now they're tougher, but they say I can't be finger-printed. The wheels on my fingers are scorched off."

## BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

### Pixie O'Scowl's New Job

—Everybody Wants Him to Find Them Winter Homes—

By MAX TRELL

"YOU'D think," Pixie O'Scowl was grumbling as he sat glumly on a rock with his chin in his hand, "you'd think I did nothing but sleep and nap and doze and eat and rest and yawn and walk around picking flowers just to occupy my time. But is this the truth? NO!" he suddenly yelled.

Knarf and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-about names, who were listening to Pixie O'Scowl's complaint, jumped back in alarm. Pixie O'Scowl himself was now stamping up and down in rage.

"I won't do this extra job! I won't do it!"

Squirmed and Kicked  
Hanid now seized the angry Pixie between her thumb and forefinger. He squirmed and kicked some more but she said: "I won't let you go, O'Scowl, until you quiet down and tell us what this new job is that you don't want to do."

Seeing that he couldn't get away, Pixie O'Scowl at length quieted down and sat once more on the rock.

"It's like this," he began. "As soon as the weather begins to turn cold in the autumn, people start coming to me looking for places to spend the winter. I tell them they can spend the winter any place they please. But they say no, they want a nice pleasant place. They kept pestering me to show them where to find nice, cozy places where they won't be bothered by snow or ice or wind during the winter months. But I'm

too busy!" he suddenly yelled again.

Hanid once more got him quiet. Knarf wanted to know what kind of people Pixie O'Scowl was talking about.

"Bird-people, frog-people, bug-people... all kinds of people!"

It's the Young Birds  
After pausing to catch his breath, Pixie O'Scowl continued. "Now take the birds, for instance. I'm not talking about the old birds. They know where to go. It's the young ones who've never been away from home. They're sure they're not going to like it here during the winter. Then go South, I tell them. There's where most of the other birds go. But, would you believe it, they don't know where South is! I have to point it out to them. I tell them to keep right on flying until they come to a palm tree or something, but they don't even know what a palm tree is. They want me to fly South with them and find them a palm tree. But I won't, I absolutely won't!"

Knarf and Hanid agreed that Pixie O'Scowl would hardly have time for anything else if he flew off with all the young birds and showed them where the palm trees were.

"And take the frog-people," the Pixie went on.

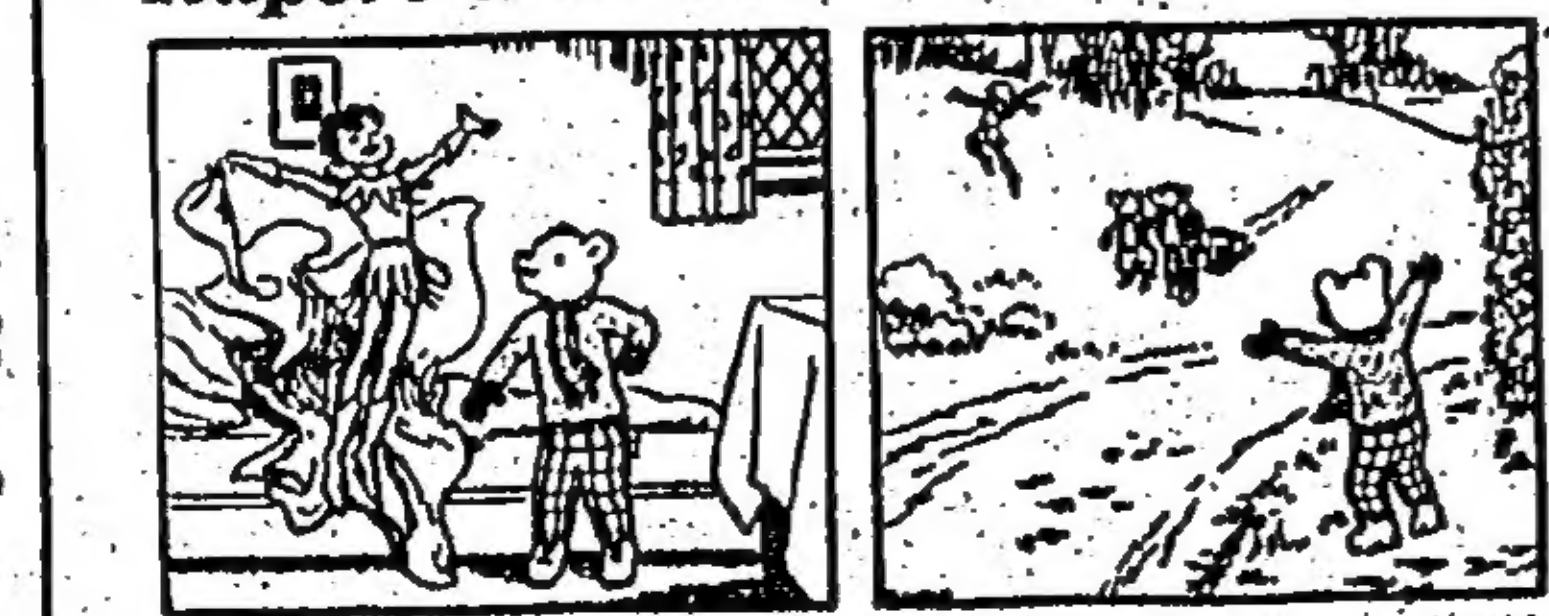
"Do they want to fly South, too?" Hanid asked.

Don't Mind Staying  
"Frogs don't fly," said Pixie O'Scowl. "They hop. They don't mind staying here. But they like a roof over their heads."

"Frogs, too?" exclaimed Knarf.

"Certainly," said Pixie O'Scowl. "You don't think they stay here for the winter, do you? Just try to think how busy you'd be if you had to try to figure out where all the daisies and buttercups and clovers are going to spend a comfortable, cozy, snug, and warm winter. Just try it!"

### Rupert and the Windwhistle—39



Jack Frost swallows one of the ice pills and tenses the new wallet securely to his belt. There is a moment's pause, and then he grabs his hat, dings off the blankets and leaps into the air. "That's amazing," he cries. "I'm well again! Thank you, ALL THANKS!"

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On the 1st Day the First Bell will be rung at 1 p.m. and the First Race will be run at 1.30 p.m.

On the 2nd Day the First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race will be run at 2 p.m.

There are 9 races on the 1st Day and 8 races on the 2nd Day (17 in all).

Through Tickets (17 Races—\$34.00) also tickets at \$2.00 each for the Cash Sweep on the last race of the Meeting as well as the Special Cash Sweep on the "Pearce Memorial Cup Sweep" scheduled to be run on 24th January, 1953, may be obtained at the Cash Sweep Office of the Club at Queen's Building, Ground Floor, Chater Road.

Through Tickets reserved for this meeting but not paid for by 10 a.m. on Friday, 5th December, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future meetings.

To avoid congestion at the Cash Sweep Office at Queen's Building, non-members are requested to purchase their sweep tickets at the Club's Branch Offices at—

5 D'Almeida Street, Hong Kong

or

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Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

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Only a limited number of badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will be on sale at the Race Course.

The Branch Offices and the Treasurers' Comptroller Office will close at 10.30 a.m. on the 1st Day and at 11 a.m. the 2nd Day. The Secretary's Office will close at 11.15 a.m. the 1st Day and at 11.45 a.m. the 2nd Day. The Treasurers' Comptroller Office is situated at Queen's Building, Ground Floor, Chater Road, and the Secretary's Office at Alexandra House, 8th Floor.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818).

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#### PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The Price of admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$3.00 per day including tax for all persons including Ladies and will be payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Public Enclosure during a Meeting will forfeit his or her right of admission to the Enclosure and will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.

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MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE OBTAINABLE IN THE RESTAURANT IN THE PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

#### SERVANTS' PASSES

Servants' passes will be issued to private box holders only, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted to enter the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

Owing to the congestion in the Member's Betting Hall and at Booths adjacent to Boxes in the Coffee Room, Box-holders and Members are requested to ensure that their servants make use only of the Public Betting Hall. Military Police will be posted at various points in the enclosure to ensure that this regulation is adhered to.

By Order,  
H. MISA,  
Secretary.

## LOCAL BADMINTON FANS WILL SEE ONG POH-LIM IN ACTION TONIGHT

By "ARGONAUT"

Hongkong badminton fans had the opportunity at Southern Playground last year of seeing in action the World Badminton Champion, Wong Peng-soon, but have yet to see in action the player who can give Peng-soon the closest fight for his title and perhaps even take it away from him.

This player is Ong Poh-lim who, quite recently, beat the World Champion and was the hero of the victorious 1952 Malayan Thomas Cup team. Poh-lim is in Hongkong as a member of the visiting Lucky Strike badminton team and he will be seen in action tonight at Southern Playground.

Poh-lim has won the Irish, Danish and French Singles Championships. The combination of Poh-lim and Ismail bin Marjan is rated the best and fastest Doubles pair in the world today.

Having seen Wong Peng-soon in action, especially in the Singles game, local enthusiasts will find Ong a strikingly different type of player with a style that is unique in its unorthodoxy.

In Singles play, Ong typifies the aggressive player who is able to maintain an attacking game from beginning to end and to smash from all parts of the court. His speed can be gauged by the fact that it is quite common to see him smash from the base and then rush up to the net to take a net return.

#### HAS NO EQUAL

In the Doubles, Ong has perhaps no equal at present. His style is typical Malayan crouching style in defence and he is almost uncatchable at the net. His peculiar service—dubbed the "crocodile" service—is a variation of the shooting service.

In the Singles, Ong is especially noted for the short period he requires to polish off his opponent. In the last Thomas Cup final at Singapore, Ong, playing in the third Singles, took only 16 minutes to dispose of the United States' Bob Williams.

In the recent Poppy Day Exhibition match at Singapore, Ong did the almost unbelievable when he swept Wong Peng-soon off the court in 24 minutes with a score of 15-4 and 15-8.

It will be interesting to see how long Hongkong players will be able to stay on the court when pitted against him.

Accompanying Ong is another Thomas Cupper in Loong Pan-yap, who was among the nine players selected to represent Malaya in the last Thomas Cup final.

Loong has had the distinction of claiming such notable victories as those over the 1949 Malayan Thomas Cup representative, Law Teik-hock, and the 1950 Singapore Champion, Cheong Hock-leng.

He will be seen in the Doubles in partnership with Ong and, being also an aggressive player, is a delight to watch in action.

#### VALUABLE EXPERIENCE

The exhibition series will serve another valuable purpose in that it will give local players and enthusiasts a good idea of the varying standard of the game in Malaya among different grades of players.

With them is the former Singapore Junior Champion, Low Poh-hye and the former

Singapore Schoolboys' Champion Chionh Chai-tuan. Low will be matched against the Colony's third Singles player, W.F. Foo. In the opening night's match, but it is expected that some of the most promising junior Colony players will also be given a chance to play against him, so they may acquire a good idea of how far short they fall of the visitors' standard.

Three former Colony schoolboy players, Johnny Pomeroy, Jr., Koh Wai-bong and U. Selip have been chosen to take on the visiting Schoolboys' Champion on each of the first three nights of the series.

The ladies' events will offer a special attraction in view of the high reputation that Hongkong enjoys in this field.

Although the visitors were a little disinclined to include Ladies' Singles matches in the series, they have now sparingly agreed to play two Ladies' Singles games in which they will have the Colony Champion, Ullan Khoo, and Helen Kwong as their opponents. One Ladies' Doubles match will be played per night, with the visitors meeting different Hongkong pairs each time.

It is expected that strong competition will be forthcoming in these as well as the Mixed Doubles events from the Colony players.

Although the visitors were not able to bring the Thomas Cup along with them to be displayed during the matches, it is still possible that local followers of the game will be able to see it at the opening night's games.

Attempts are being made by both the Hongkong Badminton Association and Mr Lim Chuan-zeok, President of the Singapore Badminton Association, to smooth over the difficulties and get the Cup over by the first available plane.

#### TONIGHT'S GAMES

The series starts tonight at the Southern Playground at 8 p.m. Tickets are available through club representatives or at the Southern Playground.

The following is the programme for tonight's games:

1. Men's Singles—Ong Poh-lim (Lucky Strike) v Ramon Young (Hongkong).

2. Ladies' Doubles—Mrs Ong Siew-ang and Mrs Tan Kim-lui (Lucky Strike) v Miss Ullan Khoo and Miss Winnie Cheung (Hongkong).

3. Men's Singles—Loong Pan-yap (Lucky Strike) v Bill Funk (Hongkong).

4. Men's Doubles—Low Poh-hye and Foo Hon-hing (Lucky Strike) v Robert Tay and P.H. Wong (Hongkong).

5. Schoolboys' Singles—Chionh Chai-tuan (Lucky Strike) v J. Pomeroy, Jr. (Hongkong).

6. Mixed Doubles—Ong Poh-lim and Mrs Tan Kim-lui (Lucky Strike) v Ramon Young and Miss Winnie Cheung (Hongkong).

7. Mixed Doubles—Loong Pan-yap and Mrs Ong Siew-ang v Robert Tay and Mrs M. Gonsalves (Hongkong).

### BADMINTON LEAGUE

In the Men's "C" Division League Badminton doubles Tytani beat Nav Bharat by two games to seven.

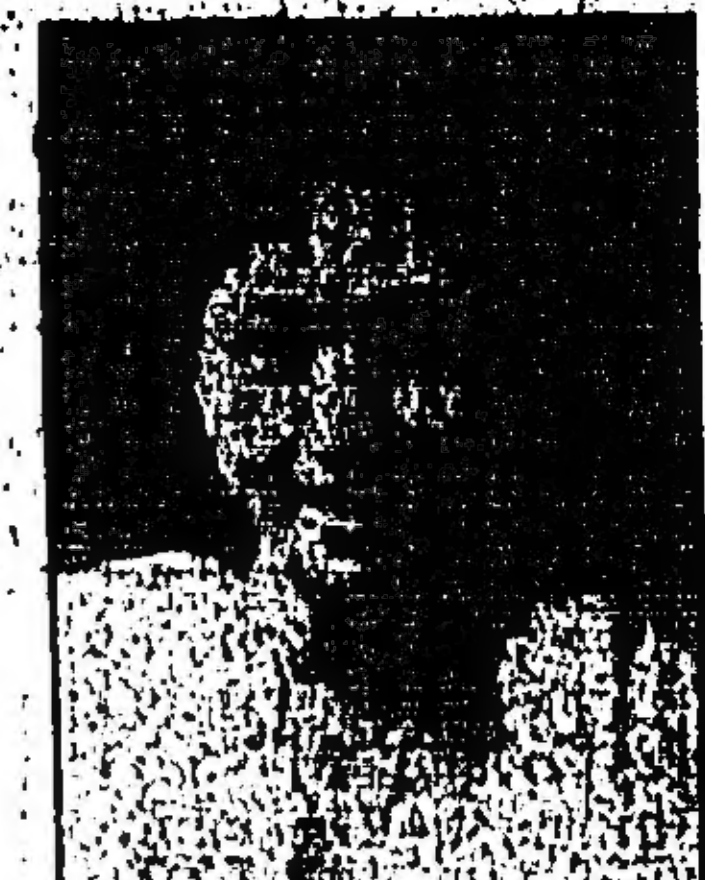
Following were the results with Nav Bharat players named first:

M. S. Watan and U. S. Dillon beat R. Kingsford and L. C. Wong 21-17; beat T. M. Ip and T. C. Mark 21-4; lost to C. C. Yew and H. Y. Hui 3-21.

Dr. H. Mahan Singh and B. N. Hodge lost to Kingsford and Wong 2-21; lost to Ip and Mark 0-21; lost to Yew and Hui 1-21.



Shown above are three of the top ranking players of the visiting Lucky Strike Badminton Team, who will open their Hongkong series tonight at the Southern Playground. From left to right are: Madam Ong Siew-ang, Loong Pan-yap and Madam Tan Kim-lui.



### WILLIAMS WINS BY KNOCK-OUT

London, Dec. 10. British heavyweight champion, knocked out Werner Wiegand, heavyweight champion of Luxembourg in the fifth round of their international ten rounds contest at Harringay Arena here tonight.

This was the top-line bout of a charity tournament in aid of the National Playing Fields Association and attended by the Duke of Edinburgh, the Association's President, and a capacity crowd of 10,000.

The fight ended in amazing fashion. For four rounds the giant champion of Luxembourg, who had a weight advantage of more than 30 lbs., did most of the attacking and landed all the telling blows.

Williams looked worried and as the half way stage of the fight was almost reached he had not won a single round.

In the fifth round, however, Williams unleashed a tremendous short right-hand punch which hit Wiegand hard on the left side of the face. Wiegand's knees began to wobble and Williams went after him to plant another ferocious right to the head.

#### LIKE A LOG

Down went Wiegand like a log to be counted out as he lay on the boards.

Wiegand was a substitute for the American, Harry Matthews, who had to withdraw owing to a back injury.

Ronnie Clayton, featherweight champion, was beaten on points by Sammy McCarthy, 21-year-old undefeated London boxer, in a ten-round non-title bout.

It was one of the finest featherweight contests seen in Britain. McCarthy's success was due almost entirely to the speed in boxing on the retreat and his jabbing left hand.

McCarthy has now beaten both Clayton and Freddie King, who is to meet Clayton for the title in the new year. He was not eligible to fight for a title because he was under 21 when the eliminator bouts began, but Clayton said after tonight's bout that he was prepared to defend the championship against McCarthy if he retained the title against King.—Reuter.

### Shirley Strickland Retiring

London, Dec. 10. Shirley Strickland, 27-year-old Australian who won the Olympic 60 Metres hurdles title at Helsinki and established a world record for this event, will not compete in the Melbourne Games in 1956, according to a report reaching here.

The report said the Australian star announced her retirement when she returned to her home in Perth recently. The question now being asked in British athletic circles is whether she will defend her British Empire Games title in Vancouver in 1954.—United Press.

### DECIDED BEFORE LUNCH

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#### FIRST TEST

### Devastating Bowling By Lindwall Wins Match For Australia

Brisbane, Dec. 10.

Devastating bowling by Ray Lindwall enabled Australia today to win the first Test match against South Africa by 96 runs.

The tourists needed 187 runs to win with eight second innings wickets in hand, when play was resumed today, but Lindwall shattered all their hopes with an inspired performance with the ball.

#### The final scores were:

Australia 289 and 277.  
South Africa 221 and 240.

With Miller unable to play because of a badly infected throat, Lindwall hurled himself into the attack from the first ball. Used in short sharp spells by Lindsay Hassett, he swept through the South African innings to take five wickets for 60 runs in 30 overs.

His performance was even better than his figures suggest. He could not get the ball to lift but shattered the batsmen's defence by sheer speed.

Bill Johnston backed him up well. Changing periodically from over the wicket to round the wicket, he troubled the batsmen by pitching on a worn spot at one end of the wicket.

Ian Johnson's curling dipping offspinners were also effective, and apart from Ron Funston and McLean, the South Africans concentrated grimly on defence.

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Ken Funston, c. Langley b. Bill Johnston	10
McLean, b. Lindwall	13
Cheetham, b. Bill Johnston	19
Watkins, hit wicket b. Ian Johnston	1
McNeill, b. Lindwall	1
Murray, not out	71
Tayfield, c. Langley b. Ian Johnston	1
McLean, b. Lindwall	1
Extras	4
Total	240

Wickets fell: 1/20, 2/57, 3/113, 4/170, 5/200, 6/210, 7/215, 8/220, 9/227.

	B	O	M	R	W
Lindwall	30	8	8	20	5
Bill Johnston	20	2	8	2	3
Ian Johnston	30	7	5	3	0
Funston	17	3	5	58	0
McGlow	30	1	1	0	0
Howie	1	1	0	0	0

Byes 2; no-balls 1 by Johnston.—Reuter.

### Australian Trotters For Malaya

Sydney, Dec. 10.

Australian trotting horses probably will be used to introduce this popular sport in Singapore and the Malay States.

Negotiations are now proceeding to have more than 100 Australian horses sent to Singapore.

Representatives of a wealthy Eastern syndicate are in Sydney making inquiries about all aspects of night trotting. They have indicated the syndicate is prepared to buy 210,000 worth of Australian trotters.

The syndicate plans to teach natives to drive the trotters and intends to lay out a track similar to Sydney's Harold Park.—United Press.

#### Referees' Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Hongkong Football Referees' Association will be held at the office of the Hongkong Football Association at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, December 16.

### Soccer Tour Dropped

London, Dec. 10.

The Scottish Football Association today cancelled the tour of South Africa next summer without giving any explanation.

Sixteen matches, including three "tests" had been arranged.—France-Press.

### LUCK OF SCOTTISH CUP DRAW

Glasgow, Dec. 10.

The draw was made today for the first round of the Scottish Football Cup ties to be played on January 24.

Eighteen teams drew byes and the 14 first round matches are:

St. Mirren vs Brechin  
St. Johnstone vs Kilmarnock  
Leith Athletic vs Airdrie  
Rangers vs Arbroath  
Dundee vs Cowdenbeath  
Dunfermline vs Collieston  
Dundee United vs Dundee  
Raith vs Clackmannanshire

East Fife vs V. A. Leith

Queen's Park vs Hurlingham

Morton vs Dunfermline

Newton Stewart vs Falkirk

Elgin City vs Third Lanark

Hibernian vs Stenhousemuir

The following 18 teams drew byes and will go straight into the second round:

Aberdeen, Albion, Rangers, Alloa, Ayr United, Buckie Thistle, Clyde, Dundee, Stirling, Forfar Athletic, Hamilton Academical, Hearts, Montrose, Motherwell, Partick Thistle, Queen's Park, Stirling Albion, St. Johnstone, Wigtown and Blackrock.

Motherwell won the trophy last year beating Dundee in the final and both these teams appear among those who have been fortunate enough to draw byes.

A new draw will be made for the second round.—Reuter.

### Special Rifle Matches For Coronation

London, Dec. 10.

The Army Rifle Association have arranged for special Coronation rifle matches to be fired at Bisley, between June 25 and July 4 next year, between regular Army and members of Commonwealth contingents attending the Coronation.

Invitations to enter have been sent to Empire military staffs and a meeting will be held at ARA headquarters on Monday to discuss detailed plans for the matches.—Reuter.

### H.K. Skating Championship

The Hongkong Skating Championship (1952) held under the auspices of the Chung Sing Skating Society in aid of five charities and medicine fund, will take place at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. (Kowloon Branch), Waterloo Road, on December 13 and 14, commencing 8 p.m. each day. Tickets are obtainable from Miss Yvonne Coelho, c/o Dairy Farm Co., Hongkong.

### Malayans Lose To Schoolboys At Tennis

London, Dec. 10.

In an enjoyable afternoon's tennis at the Chinese Recreation Club yesterday, the Combined Hongkong Schoolboys exceeded all expectations by defeating the visiting Malayan team by 3½ matches to 2½.

Lu Po-hay gave an outstanding performance for the Schoolboys, winning both his Singles and Doubles matches.

The Schoolboys lost two of the three Singles played, but were successful in two out of three Doubles, one ending in a draw.

The following are the results:

**SINGLES**  
Ma King-lung (St. Paul's Co-Ed.) lost to Lam Hee-chun 6-7, 1-6.  
Fritz Lee (Diocesan Boys' School) lost to Lam Hee-chun 5-7, 1-6.  
Choi Yee-hing (St. Paul's Boys' School) beat Leong Hock-yeung 6-3, 6-2.

**DOUBLES**  
Ma King-lung (St. Paul's Co-Ed.) and Ng Man-ching (St. Joseph's) drew with Lam Hee-chun and the other Ma King-lung 5-7, 3-6.

Ma Po-hay (St. Paul's Boys' School) and Ho Cheung-ye (St. Joseph's) beat Low Hock-yeung and Mrs. Chan Kwai-sing 6-3, 6-2.  
Choi Yee-hing (St. Paul's) and D. Khan (Chatham) beat Leong Hock-yeung and Mrs. Leong Kwan-yeung 6-3, 6-2.







# BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE

## CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

SAILINGS TO		
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"FOYANG"	Singapore, Penang & Belawan	10 a.m. 16th Dec.
"HUPEH"	Tientsin	10 a.m. 16th Dec.
"SHENGKING"	Keelung	3 p.m. 20th Dec.
"YUNNAN"	Singapore, Penang & Belawan	10 a.m. 22nd Dec.
"ANKING"	Singapore, Penang & Belawan	Noon 24th Dec.
"SZECHUEN"	Djakarta, Semarang, Sourabaya & Makassar	5 p.m. 24th Dec.
"FUKIEN"	Tientsin	8 a.m. 26th Dec.
"HUNAN"	Tientsin	10 a.m. 26th Dec.

## ARRIVALS FROM

"SOOCHOW"	Keelung	7 a.m. 12th Dec.
"PAKHOT"	Bangkok	p.m. 12th Dec.
"FENGNING"	Indonesia & Binton	14th Dec.
"FOYANG"	Singapore	14th Dec.
"HUPEH"	Tientsin	14th Dec.
"YUNNAN"	Shanghai	19th Dec.
"ANKING"	Kobe	20th Dec.
"FUKIEN"	Kobe	23/24th Dec.

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SAILINGS TO		
"TAIPEI"	Sydney & Melbourne	28th Dec.
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"TAIYUAN"	Japan	2nd Jan.

## ARRIVALS FROM

"TAIPEI"	Kobe	28th Dec.
"CHANGTUNG"	Australia & Manila	27th Dec.
"TAIYUAN"	Australia & Manila	29th Dec.

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"CLYDEUS"	Liverpool, Dublin & Avonmouth	25th Dec.
"ASTANAX"	Genoa, London, Rotterdam & Hamburg	26th Dec.
"PERSEUS"	Marseilles, Liverpool & Glasgow	6th Jan.
"AENEAS"	Liverpool & Glasgow	12th Jan.
"AGAPENOR"	London, Rotterdam & Hamburg	24th Jan.

## Scheduled Sailings from Europe

Sails	Arrives	
G. "PERSEUS"	Liverpool	18th Dec.
G. "AENEAS"	Sailed	24th Dec.
G. "AGAPENOR"	do	31st Dec.
G. "PYRRHUS"	do	10th Jan. 1953
G. "CALCIAS"	12th Dec.	17th Jan. 1953
G. "AUTOMEDON"	18th Dec.	23rd Jan. 1953
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"BENVENUE"	Japan 5th Jan.
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"BENATTOW"	U.K. via Singapore 18th Jan.
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"BENVORLICH"	16th Dec.
"BENROCH"	Kure, Kobe and Yokohama 19th Dec.
"BENRINNES"	Havre, London, Rotterdam & Antwerp 23rd Dec.

"BENVENUE"	Direct to Singapore, thence Liverpool, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hamburg. 6th Jan.
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"BENALBANACH"	Avonmouth, Liverpool, Glasgow, and Antwerp. 10th Jan.
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"BENROCH"	Direct to Singapore, thence Genoa, London, Hamburg and Hull. 20th Jan.
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"BENATTOW"	Kure, Kobe and Yokohama. 21st Jan.
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## and 15, 1952, and consignees are re-

## quired to have their representatives

## present during the survey.

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## Hongkong, December 11, 1952.

## NOTICE

## CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

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## R. A. WICKERSON,

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## Hongkong, 10th Dec., 1952.

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## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

## As of 15th December 1952,

## the offices of the Consulate

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## Hongkong, 11th December, 1952.

# Dunmow Flitch: Last Link In A Chain Of Evidence

London, Dec. 10.

New material has come to light concerning the award of the Dunmow Flitch to happily married couples.

When compiling his History of the Dunmow Flitch Ceremony, published by the Essex Record Office in 1951—exactly 200 years after the last award of the bacon in a manorial court—Mr Francis Steer searched for the court rolls recording this now famous event.

A chance remark about some Little Dunmow documents being in the possession of the executors of a lady who had moved from the Dunmow district to Wales led to fresh avenues being explored. The result is the deposit in the Essex Record Office by Major A.G. Wade, of Bentley, Hampshire, of the original court rolls of the flitch ceremonies in 1701 and 1751 as follows:—

## NO "HOUSEHOLD BRAWLES"

You do swear by Customs of Confession,

That you're made Nuptial Transgression,

Nor since you were married

Man & Wife,

By household Brawles or

Contentious strife,

Or otherwise in Bed or at

Boorde,

Offended each other in Deed

Or in Word,

Or in a Twelve Months

time and a day,

Repented not in thought any

way,

Or since the Church Clerke

said Amen,

Whist your selves unmarried

agen,

But Continue true & in

desire.

As when you joyn'd hands

in Holy Quire. Then followed

the sentence:—

Since to these Conditions

without any fear,

Of your own accords you

doe freely Swear,

A Whole Canon of Bacon

you doe receive,

And beare it away with Love

& good Leave,

For this is the Customs of

Dunmow well known,

The Bacon's Pleasure be Ours,

Tho' the Pleasure be Ours,

The Bacon's Pleasure be Ours,

These documents are the last

link in a long chain of

evidence. The collection of

flitch material in the County

Hall, Chelmsford, is large;

much of it figures in Mr Steer's

book, which is now accepted

as the standard history of a

picturesque English custom ob-

served for more than 600 years.

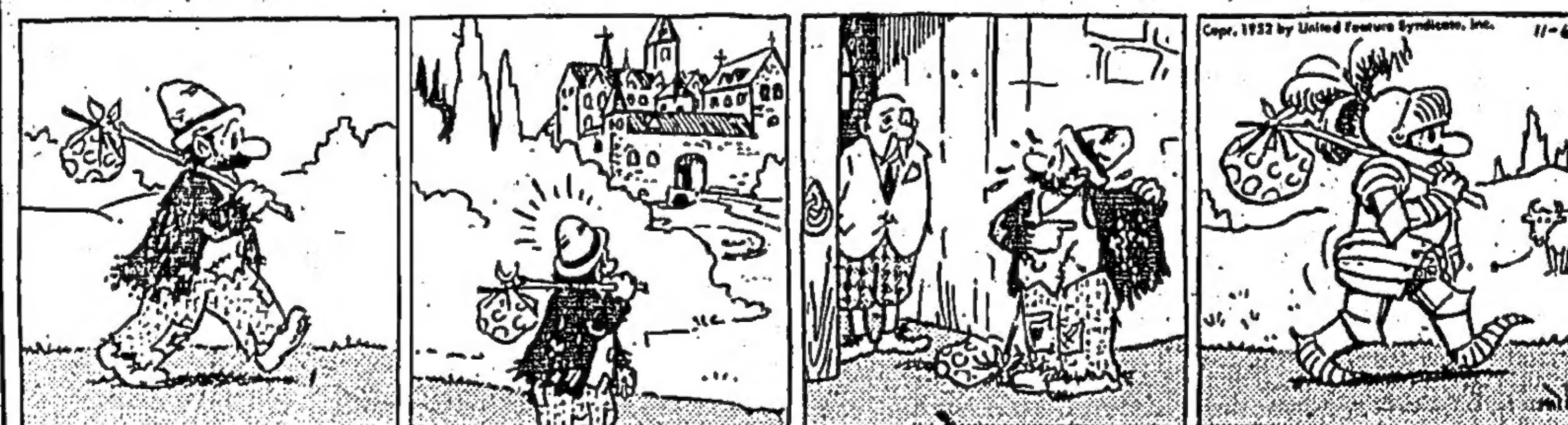
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**JOHN CLARKE'S  
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**Piccadilly  
Kites**

THE brightly lit streets around Piccadilly Circus, have lately acquired a new kind of late-night population, for whom an apt collective noun might be "the sponging set."

They are mostly girls in their late teens or early twenties, who come to the West End in the evenings, from the suburbs or from dingy parts of London, nearer the centre with the single purpose of helping Servicemen from overseas to get rid of their money.

These girls are not prostitutes ("they are genuinely shocked if you suggest they are that," an experienced and senior police officer told me). They are simply earners, out for anything that can get free, from an American cigarette to an evening at a near-by, so-called night club.

Outside bars or restaurants or cinemas where visiting Servicemen go, the sponging set gather like kites over refuse dumps in eastern cities.

The kites in the east have a piping, complaining, unmelodious call that rises to a shrill screech in argument. So have the sponging set. The kites are always arguing, competition for carrion being keen. Sometimes they fight. The sponging set fight, too.

At Bow Street the other morning, a representative selection of these junior misfits were brought into court. What Dr Johnson might have called "parcels" of two, three and four at a time.

The charge against them all was the same—"Obstructing the free passage of the footway." The word "free" seemed to ring a bell with them, and all but one pleaded guilty.

They were in the dock for long, but there was time enough to look at them. One group of three, for instance. They were dressed to kill by neon light, but in the grey morning their paint looked more pathetic than lethal.

ONE had platinum blonde hair done in tight curls; another looked as though her hair had been rinsed in cherry brandy; the third was plainly unable to make up her mind whether to be fair-haired or chestnut brown. Her hair was streakily both.

"You never warned me to move on like you said you done," said this last to the arresting officer. "I got proof I wasn't there." "I was talking to a woman in the café, woman as works there."

"Do you wish to call any witnesses?" Sir Laurence Dunne, the Chief Magistrate, asked the girl with the dappled hair-style. "No thank you," the girl said, as if she had been insulted.

"The trio were then followed, and they in their turn departed, too."

THEN came a girl on her own, a pretty, demure creature of 22, who agreed her name was Jacqueline, and pleaded not guilty to obstructing the footway, and clutched a theatrical paper as if she were drowning and it was a straw.

She was a model, she said, and had just finished work when, at 1.30 a.m., she had met friends and paused to talk with them. She gave her evidence with little excuse-me coughs and nervous laughs, and said: "The constable's manner was just... You know very well, if I had talked differently, I'd have gone away, and this wouldn't have happened."

"Well, you were very silly," said the Chief Magistrate. "Even if the constables are not on their best party manners, it's better to move on when you're told." He fined Jacqueline 10s.

SHE did not belong to the sponging set; it was her misfortune that some of them were among her acquaintance. Soon there may come a day when every young woman setting foot in the West End after dark will be suspect. The sponging set, the screaming crew, the so-to-speak cadet corps for money, serious street crime, will be largely to blame if that comes about.

**INTELLIGENCE TEST SOLUTION**  
(1) Directly A rode B.  
(2) Neither A nor B rode C; none of course rode D.  
(3) The owner of B is neither B, A or C.  
(4) A does not own A, B or C.  
(5) A or C rode C; C rode D; and therefore B rode A and D.  
London Express Service

**Mau Mau  
Threat Told  
To Court**

(Continued from Page 1)

First African giving evidence at the trial not to ask that his name be withheld.

Mull told the court he had received a letter and he thought it might have come from Neil, but, he said, the writing was bad and could not tell him anything.

He believed the letter had been burned or destroyed. He had searched his house, but could not find it.

At this point Mr Somerhaugh said he wanted to treat Mull as a hostile witness on the grounds that he was "attempting to defeat the case of the party—the Crown—by suppressing the truth and by the manner in which he gives his evidence, which has shown he is not inclined to tell the truth."

The magistrate strongly criticised the Tanganyika police for the method used in preparing the alleged copy.

This was written in pencil on the sides of ruled foolscap paper and was stated to have been prepared by Assistant Superintendent Godbey's woman secretary.

Mr Thacker declared: "Society has moved a little in the past 100 years and it is now 1952."

"I am surprised that Tanganyika police, if they knew the importance of the letter, did not take a photostatic copy, even in Kenya we have had photostatic apparatus for some time."

Mr Pritt submitted that it had not been established whether the letter had been destroyed or lost.

The magistrate ruled that it had been satisfactorily established that the letter had existed.

**LEGAL WRANGLE**

After another legal wrangle between Mr Pritt and Mr Somerhaugh, the magistrate allowed the prosecution to produce a signed statement said to have been made by Mull to Assistant Superintendent Godbey in Dar-es-Salaam on November 10.

The statement which Mr Somerhaugh put to Mull said a letter had been addressed to him at a chemical laboratory. Mull agreed that he signed the statement, but said it had not been read over to him.

After a few more questions, Mull was dismissed from the witness box.

The next witness, Assistant Superintendent Godbey, told the court he had a list of addresses in Tanganyika, mail for which was to be opened and searched by order of the government.

When the alleged copy, made in his office, was produced by the prosecution and handed to Mr Godbey, Mr Pritt rose to submit that the copy had to be proved to have been written by Ngeli.

There was no evidence that a letter written by Ngeli and received by Mull, which had been destroyed, was the same as a copy of a letter produced by the prosecution.

"It has got to be proved that this is a copy of a letter written by Ngeli and you cannot do that," Mr Pritt said.

The Defence counsel asked Mr Godbey: "Did you know the author, composer, and singer of the Mau Mau song in the letter was a South African prisoner in Nairobi prison?"

"Did you know the song was a standing one among prisoners?" Mr Godbey replied: "No. I know nothing about the Nairobi prison."

Mr Pritt also asked the meaning of a number of pencilled crossings out in the letter. Mr Godbey said the name of the village of Kangundo had been written in and crossed out a number of times by his Secretary.

He added: "She always finds difficulty with African and Swahili names."—Reuter.

**KOWLOON'S  
NEW THEATRE**

Situated at the junction of Nathan and Kimberley Roads, the Princess Theatre which was officially opened yesterday afternoon by Mrs Richard C. Lee, occupies an area of 31,500 sq. feet. The theatre is completely modernised with the latest production, sound equipment and acoustics. Equipped with specially designed seats, the theatre can hold approximately 1,700 people. Two gilded pillars, fountain and pool of change line lights, ornament the lobby. The upper auditorium and the main floor are so designed as to afford the maximum view of actors to picture-goers.

**The Indo-China War Continues**



French troops prepare at the Nason landing ground, 120 miles northwest of Hanoi, for what may be the decisive battle of the Indo-China war. — London Express.

**HKSPC  
WOMEN'S  
AUXILIARY**

The Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children (Women's Auxiliary) held its monthly meeting in the Board Room of the South China Morning Post this morning and discussed future activities and various fund-raising schemes.

It was decided that the Society's annual Flag Day be held on January 31 and the hope was expressed by the President, Mrs B. Stanton, that the public would respond with generous donations.

Also aired at the meeting were plans for despatching personal letters of appeal for aid to large local firms and wealthy individuals and the idea of an open letter in local journals to the general public for funds.

It was also revealed that the Shanghai Ball will be held on January 30.

It was decided that Mrs Fung Ping-fan assume the Chairmanship of the Auxiliary till April next year when Mrs A. Ridehalgh will take over and that Mrs S. Cooke be the Auxiliary's new Hon. Secretary.

Also present were Mrs M. Gorman, Mrs F. H. Losby and Mrs May Mok are the Hon. Treasurers. Those who attended included Mrs B. Stanton, Mrs A. Ridehalgh, Mrs R. Raymond, Lady Airey, Mrs J. Yen, Mrs L. A. Forcier, Mrs M. Boyd, Mrs C. W. Reece, Madame F. Dumant, Mrs E. Talbot, Mrs C. M. Ma, Mrs Margaret Lee, Mrs W. Willauer, Mrs M. Gorman, Mrs F. H. Losby, Mrs May Mok, and Mrs Violet Chen.

**Charged With  
Assault**

Two 20-year-old employees of the Honour Hotel in Pilgrim Street came before Mr D. F. O'Reilly Magistrate at Kowloon this morning charged with common assault.

Harry W. Hunt, of the Royal Australian Air Force, was the complainant. Defendants, Mak Man and Ng Hon, who were arrested at about 1.30 a.m. today, denied the allegation and were remanded until next Monday. They were allowed bail of \$200 each.

**Seven Days  
Without Option**

Twenty-year-old Tang Bun, of 20, Wai Village, was given seven days without the option by Mr D. F. O'Reilly Magistrate at Kowloon this morning for assaulting a public servant.

Inspector Pilkington said the youth picked up a fist-sized stone and threw it at a Sanitary Department party ending hawkers in Hing Wah Street yesterday. The stone bruised the finger of one of the hawkers.

**Church Sale Of  
Christmas Toys**

A Christmas gifts sale was held at the St. Andrew's Vicarage this morning, where toys were sold to raise funds for the church. Those who attended were encouraged to buy toys also for poor children.

The sale was sponsored by the Women's Guild and Mothers' Union of the St. Andrew's Church.

**Cargo Of  
Cigarettes  
Hijacked**

**American Ordered  
To Stand Trial**

Tangier, Dec. 10.

A United States judge here today decided that Sidney Paley, an American citizen, must stand trial in connection with the "hijacking" (stealing) of a cargo of cigarettes on the Dutch motorship Combinate, on October 2.

Paley, of medium height and aged about 40, buried his head in his hands when he heard Judge Helmick announce his decision in a room of the American Legation here.

Judge Helmick fixed no date for the case, which will be held before an American Consular court.

The Dutch sea captain, Edward Engelsman, of the former submarine-chaser Esme, said in evidence that two Americans named Sidney Paley and Elliot Forrest approached him in Tangier and he was offered \$8,000 to tow in a ship of theirs which had broken down in the Mediterranean.

Captain Engelsman said the Esme left port on October 2 with Forrest and two others on board in addition to the crew. Paley was not on the Esme. That night Forrest ordered Engelsman to close with the Combinate. Masked men with arms boarded the Dutch motorship and 1,000 cases of cigarettes were transferred from her to the Esme.

**MEET BY LAUNCH**

"We then went to a point 15 miles off Marseilles," Engelsman added. "Forrest went ashore and returned next day and ordered me to proceed to Corsica. Ten miles off shore we were met by a launch which took off the cigarettes."

"We were then set free," Captain Engelsman said. He stressed that Forrest had given the orders on the trip.

John van Delden, a Dutch seaman, said Forrest engaged him for the trip. He said the Combinate appeared to be waiting for the Esme and that the boarders used no force. "In fact our guns were out of order."

"There was no resistance from the Combinate crew," Van Delden added.

In reply to a prosecution question, he said he wore a mask for the raid, and that he handcuffed the Combinate crew. But, he added, when the crew were locked in a cabin their handcuffs were taken off.

Other witnesses also described how the raiders boarded the Combinate, which was loaded with 2,700 cases of American cigarettes valued at around \$100,000.—Reuter.

**Small Fire At  
Stationery Shop**

Some stationery and toys were destroyed in a small fire which broke out at a stationery shop at 187, Hollywood Road, ground floor, at about 9.40 this morning. The fire was put out after the arrival of two fire engines.

**Alleged  
Murder**

**Further Evidence  
This Morning**

Further evidence was heard in the committal hearing against Nguyen Xuan Dai, alias Yuen Shun-dai, 47, a Vietnamese bank clerk, charged with the murder of Kam Sze-yu, a watchman of the Banque de l'Indo-Chine on the night of October 11-12, before Mr Poon Yan-hoi at Central today.

Det. Insp. W. E. Thomas is for the Prosecution, while the defendant is represented by Mr Alfred Y. Hon.

The sixth witness for the Prosecution, Mr Guan, 50, engaged by the Banque de l'Indo-Chine, residing in the servants' quarters above the bank, said that on the afternoon of October 11 she was engaged in cleaning the front steps and rear yard of the bank.

She finished her job at about 6.30 p.m. and was walking for wards the main entrance of the bank through the main hall in order to return to her quarters, when she saw two coolies carrying a box into the bank. She wanted to place the box in the hall, but she told them not to as she wanted to scrub the floor the next morning. She then saw them carrying it in the direction of the Chief Cashier's Office, after which she went back to her quarters.

**NO LIGHT ON**

Witness said that she got up at 7 a.m. the following morning and on walking out to her verandah, noticed that the light of the main hall doorway were not on. She noticed because the watchman usually turned them on at that time.

She went downstairs, and rang the bell at the front entrance but received no reply. After a while some other employees arrived on their way to a picnic, and they waited together. Eventually the door was opened by a man called Lee Tui-chung. They all went inside, and the witness saw that the safe in the Chief Cashier's office was covered with a blanket and a piece of board was propped up against it. Two Police men arrived soon after and instructed all those present to remain in the centre of the hall, and not to move around.

The witness then identified a box exhibited in court as similar to the one she saw being taken in the direction of the Chief Cashier's office.

The hearing is proceeding.

**Club To Hold  
Xmas Party**

The Sino-British Club will hold a Christmas Party on Tuesday, December 16, at 5, Broadwood Road, Happy Valley (off Wongninchong Road Entrance through No. 6, Pul Road Middle School). The party starts at 7 p.m. and dinner will be served at 8.30. Refreshments will be provided. Members wishing to attend are requested to notify Mrs R. Kirby, Sino-British Club Hon. Secretary, Hongkong University. Guests may be invited.

**Alleged Libel:  
Defence Counsel  
Makes Submissions**

Following the conclusion of evidence by the defendant, submissions were made by Counsel on behalf of the Defence at this morning's hearing of the action for alleged libel, brought by Miss Tiu Yuk-chun, an assistant woman education officer and lecturer at the Northcote Training College.

The hearing was before Mr Justice A. D. Schabas (Ading Paine Judge) and a Special Jury in the Summary Court.

The defendant, Leung Sul-po, of 27 Star Street, first floor, and landlord of the premises occupied by the plaintiff on the ground floor of the same address, claimed he rented the floor to plaintiff's sister, Mrs Poon who, he alleged, told him her name was Tiu Yuk-chun.

The plaintiff, who claimed she was the tenant of the flat, complained that a notice put up by the landlord outside the premises proclaiming his right to take back the flat was false and malicious. The words complained of were "The floor was originally rented and occupied by Mrs Poon (she formerly called herself Tiu Yuk-chun)".

Plaintiff is represented by Mr S. V. Gittins, instructed by Mr P. L. Lam, and she claimed \$5,000 damages on the ground that the words implied that she was a concubine of her brother-in-law or misconducted herself with him.

Defendant is represented by Mr Brook A. Bernacchi, instructed by Mr P. C. Woo.

**CROSS-EXAMINED**

Defendant concluded his evidence yesterday and this morning he was cross-examined by Mr Gittins. He said that he had a third interview with Mrs Poon on September 27 after the issue of the writ in the action. At the second interview he told her that since her long residence there relationship had been very friendly but now that he had discovered she was not Miss Tiu he was greatly disappointed.

Defendant continued, "I offered her \$1,000 if she would hand the premises back to me. I requested her to move her whole family out. She replied 'That little Ten times that much would be a better offer.' I was not prepared to agree to that, as her demand was unreasonable."

He continued that although the Poon family moved out, the premises were not returned to him. He admitted he put up the notice complained of.

**THREE REASONS**

Defendant gave the following three reasons for his action: (1) He wanted people to know the ground floor was originally rented to Mrs Poon; (2) He wanted people to know that after Mrs Poon moved out on June 25 he had a right to recover possession; and (3) he wanted to prevent relations of Mrs Poon and outsiders from renting the premises.

Defendant added that before plaintiff claimed to be Tiu Yuk-chun he did not know her full name. He only knew her surname was Tiu, and that she was the younger sister of Mrs Poon.

Questioned about the tuition his son had received from the plaintiff, defendant denied it was necessary to get a qualified teacher and that was why he had asked plaintiff to coach his son. His son himself showed a preference for the plaintiff.

Defendant said he received the letter from Mr P. L. Lam (plaintiff's solicitor) on July 2 and he thought it was the notice down the following day. He admitted he made no apology to the plaintiff as he felt the notice had nothing to do with her.

Re-examined by Mr Bernacchi, defendant said his son was about 22 years old at the time the plaintiff was coaching him.

**COUNSEL'S ADDRESS**

Mr Bernacchi then announced, with the conclusion of the defendant's evidence, that that was his case, and proceeded to address the Jury.

"This is a case of alleged libel and you have unfortunately had to listen to a certain amount of evidence, in some places conflicting, on a purely technical matter," Counsel said. "It is unfortunate, because of the whole background of the case, that the Libel Court is being improperly used for the purposes of a tenancy squabble."

"This action is being heard in the Summary Jurisdiction of this Court, and the plaintiff is asking for a maximum of \$5,000, which is the maximum laid down by the law as the maximum in Summary Jurisdiction. If the plaintiff thought her claim had been improved, why had she not brought her action in

**Living  
Language**

Why we say Biscuit

A biscuit is bread which is twice cooked, for it comes from the French *bis*, twice, and *cuit*, cooked. In the days of sailing-ships it became necessary to make bread which would last a long time without going bad, and the biscuit was invented. Sometimes it was baked as many as four times.

**Mail  
Notices**

The latest times of posting shown below are those for unregistered correspondence posted at G.P.O. Hongkong. The latest posting times elsewhere which in general are earlier than the G.P.O. times, can be ascertained by enquiry at the local office. They latest posting times for registered articles are generally one hour earlier than the times shown below. Particulars regarding parcel mail can be ascertained by enquiry at any post office.

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11**  
By Air  
Philippines, N. Borneo, 4.30 p.m.  
C.P.A.L.  
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., 5 p.m.  
C.F.A.L.

By Surface  
Macao, 5 a.m.; 5 p.m.; via Lee Hong/Tok Shing.  
N. Borneo, Australia, New Zealand, 5 p.m.; via Nollara.  
**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12**  
By Air

Formosa, Japan, 9 a.m.; via C.A.T.  
Indo-China, France, French North & West Africa, 11 a.m.; via French Indo-China, France, French North & West Africa, 4.30 p.m.; via Viet-Nam.  
Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A., 5 p.m.; P.A.L.  
Japan, 5 p.m.; B.O.A.C.  
Malaya, Singapore, Ceylon, Middle East, 6 p.m.; B.O.A.C.  
By Surface  
Macao, 5 a.m.; 5 p.m.; via Lee Hong/Tok Shing.  
China, People's Republic, 8.30 a.m.; via Canton.  
Indonesia, 11 a.m.; via Tjaneas.  
Philippines, 11 a.m.; via Martin Bashi.  
Japan, noon; via Orna.  
U.S.A., Central & South America, noon; via H.K. Transport.

**Radio Hongkong**

ELCT.  
Programme Summary: 6.02, N's Swinging; 6.30, Melody Time with Voice of the Stars; 7.00, World News and News Talk (London Relay); 7.15, Siavona Dances (Dvorak); 7.30, Down Memory Lane (presented by Allen Wood); 8.00, The Piano Quartet; 8.15, French Overtures—The Oboes; 8.30, Take It from Here with Joy Nichols, Dick Bentley and Jimmy Edwards (Baker); 9.00, Songs by Brig Young (Studio); 9.15, At the Opera—Ottello, Acts 1 and 2 (Verdi); 9.30, The Rite of Spring; 10.00, Orchestra of Rome Opera House cond. by Alberto Paoletti; 10.30, Edmund Ho's Rumba Band; 10.55, Weather Report; 11.00, Radio News Reel (recorded London Relay); 11.15, Goodnight Melody; 11.30, Save The Queen; 11.30, Close down.

**SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith**



"Oh, George, don't look so cross! I just saw all those shop-early signs and caught the Christmas spirit!"

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